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Severance pact protects hospital chiefs

\$600,000 available to 2 top administrators if they lose jobs over hospital sale

By Pat Marcontino
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The two top administrators of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center could receive about a \$600,000 severance package if the hospital's sale eliminates their jobs.

But the severance package, which the hospital board offered in December, is

unrelated to a recent inquiry from Boise-based Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center about buying or leasing the county-owned hospital, said Dr. Craig Bennett, chairman of the hospital board.

"This whole sale thing came out of the blue," Bennett said. Changes to the contract with Health Improvement Associates, basically made up of longtime Administrator John Bingham and Vice President of Finance Ken Fry, reflect what's happening in business and the health-care industry, Bennett said.

The board also approved a 6 percent increase on the fee paid to Bingham and Fry for managing the hospital. The raise is

County will study offer to buy Magic Valley Regional

Twin Falls County commissioners decided Friday to study the interest Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center has expressed in running Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The Boise hospital has said it's interested in buying, leasing or otherwise affiliating with Magic Valley Regional.

retroactive to June 1 of last year, when the contract was supposed to be reviewed.

In January of last year, the management team received a 5 percent hike because the board said they were doing a good job and hadn't had a raise since the arrangement began in 1995.

The county's consideration will include an opportunity for community participation. Any change in ownership or a lease must be approved by county voters.

Saint Alphonsus is part of the national, Catholic nonprofit Holy Cross Health System based in South Bend, Ind.

With the new raise, the managers will make about \$315,000 per year. They must provide their own benefits, such as health insurance, worker's compensation and federal Social Security tax.

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OPENING CEREMONIES



U.S. figure skater Tara Lipinski, from Sugar Land, Texas, joins her U.S. teammates during the XVIII Winter Olympic opening ceremony parade Saturday in Nagano, Japan. For more, see pages B8 and B9.

4-screen cineplex coming to MV Mall

Tickets are \$1 and \$2 for 2nd-run movies

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Local moviegoers are about to get some more options. Boise-based RWD Associates, which operates the discount Reel Theater chain in Utah, Wyoming and Idaho, will open a four-screen cineplex in the Magic Valley Mall in late summer or early fall.

The complex will be located in nearly 20,000 square feet of space formerly occupied by Lamont's on the mall's north end.

"It's an attractive facility that fits our needs," said Eldon Sorensen, RWD's business manager. "We're looking forward to coming to Twin Falls."

Meanwhile, the city of Twin Falls has issued a building permit to David Woodhead for a single-screen, 98-seat theater auditorium in Old Towne.

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Jim Campbell, director of security at Magic Valley Mall, looks at the vacated Lamont's location that will soon be the site of a fourplex theater.

Most Oregonians have little sympathy for imperiled homes

The Associated Press

OCEANSIDE, Ore. — With every wave that slams against the dune, Cheryl Wiley knows her luxury townhouse and dozens more hanging on the edge could go sliding into the sea. But the state of Oregon isn't about to lift a finger to help her or her neighbors.

The panicked homeowners have even offered to pay to have boulders piled at the base of the cliff to stop the erosion, but the state won't allow such measures. And people living outside the exclusive gated community have responded with a collective we-told-you-so. "We used to think these waves were so beautiful," Wiley said. "Now we look at them in a different way." Houses falling into the ocean



A row of townhomes perches above an eroding beach near Oceanside, Ore., in this photograph taken in May 1997.

would be a crisis by some states' standards. But Oregonians have been more likely to shrug than sympathize when people build at their peril along the rugged and unpredictable coast. The state for years has prided itself on keeping its beaches public and open, and has been hesitant to wall off one section for a privileged few at the expense of others. "What did they expect?" asked

California gets a break — A5

Lori Carpenter, who lives near the threatened Capes development. "Those homes are built at the local garbage dump and a sand dune. We knew they wouldn't last."

The neat row of 30 threatened townhouses sits atop a huge, grassy dune, towering 150 feet above the pounding waves that are slowly eating away the base of the cliff. At the base of the dune eroded, a 2-inch fissure opened up near the top of the bluff last December and quickly grew into an 8-foot gash. "This is a landslide that has been moving for several hundred years," said Richard Rinne, an engineering geologist hired by Capes homeowners.

Too many candidates?

Growing GOP race for schools chief worries 1 contender

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

BOISE — Rep. Ron Black, R-Twin Falls, said it's time Republicans, including himself, think twice about crowding the primary for state schools superintendent.

His comments followed Cassia County School District Superintendent Thomas Morley's announcement Friday that he will be the fourth Republican to run for the job. Four Democrats are also seeking the position.

Black said candidates need to take some time for "deep reflection" on whether they are doing more harm than good.

Black did not say he's reconsidering his run, which he announced early last year, but said he would think about stepping out of the race. "I felt it was in the best interest of the party."

"I didn't go into this with an ulterior motive," Black said. "I wanted to give voters a choice, and they certainly have a choice with eight candidates."

Black said one reason for him to withdraw and run for re-election as a legislator would be to preserve the three seats the Magic Valley holds on the powerful Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee. Black is serving his second year on the committee, which writes the budget for the state.

"So that's why I need to balance what is in the best interest of the district and the interest of the people that put me here — where I can be of most use," Black said.

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Clinton affirms: He'll never resign

Knight-Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — He was calm. He was stately. Even funny sometimes. Deflecting query after query Friday, President Clinton stationed himself comfortably above the fray of constant leaks and salacious allegations about himself and former intern Monica Lewinsky.

He was intent on saying nothing. And he succeeded in grand style.

Clinton's first news conference since the scandal surfaced last month showcased the president at his most presidential.

He was unflappable — even when a

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British prime minister gives Clinton ringing endorsement

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — At first, the scene seemed familiar: A White House press conference spotlighting a foreign leader's visit is suddenly overtaken by questions about a purely domestic controversy.

Usually, in such situations, the visiting leader stands by awkwardly, staying mum as members of the American press corps grill their commander in chief.

But on Friday, British Prime Minister Tony Blair changed the script.

Goaded by the British press, Blair delivered a more emphatic and eloquent defense than Clinton was able to muster himself in response to questions about the sex and cover-up allegations cascading over his presidency.

"I've worked with President Clinton now for some nine months as British Prime Minister," an animated Blair said. "I have found him throughout someone I could trust, someone I could rely upon, someone I am proud to call not just a colleague, but a friend."

Blair's performance was unprecedented, according to political analysts. But it was not totally unexpected. The president's advisers said days before Blair's visit that the prime minister was preparing to support Clinton in public.

"I have never seen a head of state give another head of state a character reference like that one," said political analyst Stephen Hess of the Brookings Institute. "That to me was the most stunning thing that came out of that press conference. Wow!"

Usually, foreign leaders would veer far from giving any testimony for the U.S. president for fear



President Clinton answers a question during a news conference Friday in the White House East Room as British Prime Minister Tony Blair looks on.

of looking like a toady for the only remaining world superpower.

"It's usually considered dangerous stuff," Hess added. "You've got to be very careful. It doesn't play well at home. It looks like you're in the pockets of the American Goliath."

On the other hand, Blair and other U.S. allies clearly have an interest in a strong U.S. presidency, particularly at a time when a potential military crisis is brewing in the Persian Gulf region, analysts said.

Blair's rousing endorsement was unusual, even by Clinton's ebullient standards. In fact, Clinton advisers could cite only one rough comparison: Clinton's supportive statements about

Russian leader Boris Yeltsin when his leadership was in question because of bouts of illness.

"I can't think of anything that's ever been as personal as this," said a senior White House official. "But it's an unusual relationship — an unusual relationship between two countries and an unusual relationship between two leaders."

Blair makes a firing apologist for the president because he and Clinton have almost identical approaches to domestic policy as well as to foreign relations. Blair has often drawn comparisons between himself and Clinton as proponents of the "radical center" in politics, and the president has done his share of supporting Blair.

Conversation raises legal questions

WASHINGTON (AP) — A conversation between President Clinton and his secretary about Monica Lewinsky could raise legal questions for the president even though both sides say there was nothing improper about the talk, experts say.

Clinton summoned his secretary, Betty Currie, to the White House for a weekend talk one day after he testified in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case that he didn't have a sexual relationship with Ms. Lewinsky.

In that Jan. 18 conversation, Clinton and his secretary discussed her recollections of the president's contact with Ms. Lewinsky, but both the president and Mrs. Currie say he didn't try to influence her.

Still, others could come to a different conclusion, depending on what Mrs. Currie told a grand jury last week about her discussion with the president, several lawyers said.

"Her characterization of his purpose is influential, but not

conclusive on what he was trying to do," said Steve Gillers, a professor at New York University Law School.

Those hearing the case "could listen to what she says he said, and could side with her belief or not" regarding whether the president was trying to influence Mrs. Currie's recollection, said Gillers.

Mrs. Currie testified last week to the grand jury investigating the alleged presidential affair and cover-up involving Ms. Lewinsky.



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Californians fight to save lives, homes

MONTEREY, Calif. (AP) — Residents and rescuers fought battles across California on Friday, struggling to save lives and homes as another El Nino front advanced on the battered region.

Friday's storm blew down trees, flooded highways and gouged chunks out of fragile hillsides, but faked the punch forecasters had feared.

Another storm was expected by Sunday and a more powerful front was due Tuesday, the National Weather Service said.

The days between the storms are a blessing, said forecaster Mike Smith.

"These breaks are the difference between severe widespread flooding and the scattered incidents we have had so far," he said. "And the storms are hitting different areas, which is also a good thing."

California Gov. Pete Wilson toured stricken areas around Monterey and declared 22 of the state's 58 counties disaster areas. State emergency officials refused to estimate damage in the string of storms, which began Sunday.

But hard-hit Glenn County north of Sacramento put the price tag so far at more than \$20 million, and the city of Petaluma esti-



Maxine McBride, 63, of Redding makes her way home from the beauty shop in Redding, Calif., on Friday. Rain and high winds are expected to hit Northern California for the next several days.

ated \$5 million. Pacific Gas & Electric Co. said 280,000 homes and businesses lost power during Friday's storm, but half had been restored by noon.

The storms have generated a series of isolated struggles along the region with emergency crews, neighbors and homeowners saving what they can.

In Southern California, up to 2 inches an hour of rain drenched some areas.

Ventura County, which declared a state of emergency after Tuesday's storm, took a beating. A water spout in Ventura Harbor damaged roofs in a coastal trailer park, rains turned farm fields into lakes and Calleguas Creek roared by at 30 mph.

"Welcome to Southern California, or as we call it, 'Tlaxcala the home game,'" "Tonight Show" host Jay Leno cracked earlier this week.

Tax writer lowers hopes on tax cut size

WASHINGTON (AP) — While Republicans remain steadfast in their zeal to provide a tax cut this year, the House's top tax writer is moving to lower expectations about the size.

Ways and Means Chairman Bill Earmark, R-Texas, said that in trying to win passage of a big tax cut, lawmakers face major obstacles such as uncertainty of the tobacco settlement, disagreement about the size of a budget surplus and arcane rules in the budget process.

"I would say to my colleagues that all of us are in for a rude awakening when we learn that the budget law ... will prohibit us from using any of a surplus for a tax reduction," Archer said.

House Republicans are preparing for a leadership retreat next week in Williamsburg, Va., where the mechanics of achieving a tax cut will be on the front burner.

Court upholds FCC rules on wireless licensing

WASHINGTON (AP) — Local telephone and cable companies lost an attempt in federal court Friday to bid without restriction on licenses to offer phone, television and Internet services through new wireless technology.

The court's decision, hailed by the Federal Communications Commission, is timely. The FCC plans to auction licenses for the new technology called local multipoint distribution service, or

LMDS, starting Feb. 18.

The new wireless service is delivered in a way that closely resembles cellular phone service. But to receive phone, television or data services, customers need a small receiver dish in or near a window.

The United States Telephone Association, which represents local phone companies, was among the groups challenging the FCC's order, issued last year.



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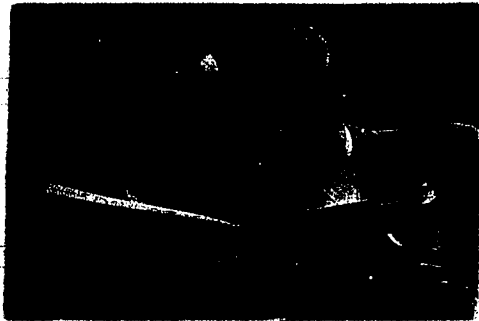


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Former grade-school teacher Mary LeTourneau is taken back to jail after being resented to prison Friday.

Ex-teacher sent back to prison

SEATTLE (AP) — The former grade school teacher who had sex with a 13-year-old boy and gave birth to his child was sent back to prison for nearly 1 1/2 years Friday after they were caught apparently trying to run away together.

Mary Kay LeTourneau, 35, and the teen-ager were found Tuesday in a parked car with the windows smashed up. Prosecutors said they had \$6,200 in cash, men's and infant's clothing and her passport.

Mrs. LeTourneau had gotten out of jail just a month earlier, on the condition that she stay away from the boy, now 14. On Friday, Judge Linda Lau sent her back to prison to serve out the suspended portion of her sentence.

"Within weeks from your release from jail you purposely violated the terms of your agreement," the judge said. "This case is not about a flawed system. This is about an opportunity that you foolishly squandered."

Mrs. LeTourneau stared blankly upon hearing the sentence and said nothing as she was led away in handcuffs. She was under a suicide watch in jail.

Mrs. LeTourneau's lawyer, David Gehrke, pleaded for a six-month jail sentence and additional treatment for her, saying she is sick and "fixated" on the boy.

"Society does not need to be protected from Mary LeTourneau," Gehrke said. "The person who really needs to be protected from Mary LeTourneau is Mary LeTourneau."

Mrs. LeTourneau bit her lower lip and dabbed at her eyes as Gehrke spoke.

In August, she pleaded guilty to child rape and in November was sentenced to six months in jail. With time already served and good behavior, she was out by Jan. 2, on the condition she stay away from minors and undergo three years of sex-offender treatment.

Clinics get bomb warnings

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — The Justice Department is warning women's clinics to be on the lookout for common gifts that could hide explosives.

Responding to questions, Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder confirmed Thursday that clinics have been told to watch out for items including potted plants, boxed candy and stuffed animals since the nation's first fetal abortion clinic bombing last week.

Agents previously said the homemade bomb that exploded outside the front door of the New Woman All Women Clinic was in a package, but they did not elaborate. Holder said the warning to clinics was "fairly specific."

Study: Strokes hit more than believed

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Strokes hit about 200,000 more Americans a year than commonly believed, according to a new study that tried to correct previous research by looking at black neighborhoods instead of just well-to-do white communities.

The study, and other research, suggest that about 700,000 Americans a year suffer strokes — or about 40 percent more than the usually accepted estimate — and that the figures could double over the next half-century.

The authors of the new estimate said it more accurately reflects the nation's ethnic diversity as well as the frequency of

second and third strokes among stroke survivors.

The additional 200,000 stroke victims are "three to four football stadiums full of people who are having strokes in this country every year," said Dr. Joseph Broderick, described the results Friday at a medical conference in Orlando. "That's a lot of people."

The current figure, adopted by the American Heart Association and others, holds that 500,000 Americans suffer new or recurring strokes each year.

This estimate is based on the Framingham Heart Study, which has followed the health of one virtually all-white, middle-class

Boston suburb for almost 50 years. The only other long-running look at the incidence of stroke comes from Rochester, Minn., another affluent, overwhelmingly white community.

To come up with an estimate that more accurately reflects the racial and ethnic mix of the entire country, researchers from the University of Cincinnati looked at all the strokes recorded among the 1.3 million residents of the Cincinnati area in 1993.

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Chief optimistic Idaho will get federal money

BOISE (AP) — With billions of dollars in backlogged highway and bridge improvements statewide, an optimistic transportation chief speculated Friday that Idaho will end up with more federal money than in the past.

First, though, Congress must pass the federal highway bill. Partisan bickering has stalled action on the legislation, which is now set to expire May 1.

But Dwight Bower pointed out to legislative budget writers that both the House and Senate versions in Congress call for Idaho and other rural western states to get more federal cash.

"There are a lot of issues left to be resolved, and if we get more, someone gets less," Bower said. "There are 13 of those, and they are fighting very hard. The Rocky Mountain West has tremendous needs being borne by a few people."

"But we are part of the national transportation fabric, and the Congress acknowledges that, they recognize that," Bower said.

And he assured the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee that the Transportation Department is ready to handle the additional work that will come if more federal highway money reaches the state.

Under present circumstances, Idaho would get \$128 million in federal funds this year on top of the \$185 million generated by local taxes and fees.

Aided by the last four-cent hike in the state fuel tax 24 months ago, the department has managed to further reduce the amount of inadequate pavement in the state to 23 percent and poor bridges to

just 10 percent. Seven years ago, nearly 40 percent of the pavement was inadequate and 14 percent of the bridges poor.

The department already has preliminary designs for \$200 million in projects it cannot afford to do under the current financing scheme that could be tapped immediately if federal money increases.

Bower did not speculate on how much more cash he expected or how the disagreements over the reauthorization bill will be worked out. But he pointed out 43 cents of the last federal fuel tax increase was earmarked for deficit reduction and now the federal budget is balanced.

Keeping that money tied up would mean the Federal Highway Trust Fund balance would rise from \$24 billion to \$70 billion in five years — money that could be disbursed to the states for actual road improvements.

"I believe these are the realities Congress is dealing with, and they bode well for more funds," Bower told lawmakers.

When the extra cash is made available, he said, the Transportation Board has given some indication that it will probably turn to a list of critical projects rather than focusing solely on U.S. 95, the state's primarily two-lane north-south link that needs \$420 million in improvements alone.

By Sean Gorman

States News Service

WASHINGTON — The Idaho Congressional delegation led for last place in an environmental scorecard released this week by the League of Conservation Voters.

Because the state is dependent on the timber, mining and other industries, Idaho lawmakers were likely to support developers in legislation — something that landed them on the bottom of the environmental list, LCV officials said.

"It's an extractive resource state. It positions the delegation to those elements of industry that are more closely aligned to a particular resource," said Betsy Lejuez, political director at the LCV.

Idaho lawmakers dismissed the report, saying it reflects the Democratic Party agenda more than the needs of the



Larry Craig Dirk Kempthorne

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state's citizens.

Members of 27 environmental agencies rated lawmakers on their votes on issues such as grazing fees, public land use protections, and the use of Yucca Mountain site as a repository for spent nuclear fuel. Lawmakers were scored on a percentage scale with 100 percent showing strong support for the environment.

Sen. Larry Craig, R-ID and Sen. Dirk Kempthorne, R-ID, both scored a zero percent approval

rating. Rep. Michael Crapo, R, and Rep. Helen Chenoweth, R, each garnered a 6 percent approval rating.

But what the scorecard doesn't rate is more telling: that what it does, said some lawmakers.

"It's not a fair barometer of the environmental stance of any member of Congress because they only pick very divisive issues," said Susan Wheeler, spokeswoman for Rep. Michael Crapo, R-2nd. "There are a number of issues that get ignored."

Bi-partisan environmental issues, such as the Safe Water Drinking Act introduced by Sen. Dirk Kempthorne, R-ID, in 1995, were ignored, Wheeler said.

The LCV is simply pushing the agenda of the Democratic party. Republican lawmakers said. In the 1994 Congressional election, the LCV led out 95 percent of its PAC money to Democrats, Wheeler said.

In 1996 Congressional races, 15 percent of the candidates the LCV endorsed were Republican, while 85 percent were Democrats. Loyless, of the LCV, said. Loyless said the organization's endorsement of more Democrats than Republicans is irrelevant. The environmental ratings are solely based on lawmakers' votes on conservation issues, not their party affiliation, Loyless said.

Lisa Wade, an LCV spokeswoman, said when lawmakers had scores they choose to "attack the messenger" of the report.

Poll says public not too concerned about abortion, prison spending

BOISE (AP) — Their profile in the headlines and the Legislature is high, but a new poll found only one-third of 1 percent of those questioned consider abortion or prison spending among Idaho's most important issues.

Only homelessness and child abuse ranked lower among public concerns.

"We have a lot of issues we deal with from drugs to abortion, that hardly rate on our radar scale here in this survey," James Weatherly, chairman of the Department of Public Policy and Administration at Boise State University, said Friday.

The telephone poll of 653 people, conducted in late December by the Social Science Research Center at Boise State University, found the impacts of rapid growth the most important issue facing Idaho for the fifth year in a row. It was named by 13.2 percent of those questioned for the annual survey.

Another 8.2 percent identified the quality of education as the top issue, making it the second-ranking concern for the fourth consecutive year. The same number of people were surveyed for the previous poll, and both had margins of error of plus or minus four percentage points.

And while only a small number of respondents considered it a crucial issue, the new survey found Idaho residents evenly divided on whether abortion should be legal.

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Valley Edition Barbershop Quartet offers a Valentine's Day surprise

TWIN FALLS - Looking for a different and special way to honor your sweetheart on Valentine's Day?

The Valley Edition Barbershop Quartet of Twin Falls will be singing love songs in barbershop harmony and delivering a range of roses for Valentine's Day in the Twin Falls area.

"This year we will offer this service on Feb. 13 and 14," said Ed Waldapfel, quartet member. "The quartet is available to sing to sweethearts at their home, office, school, restaurant or place of business. Not only will your sweetheart enjoy your thoughtfulness, but you will have the satisfaction of knowing you are contributing to a most worthwhile cause."

Proceeds from the project will go to the barbershop society's national charity, Heartspan, formerly known as the Institute of Logopedics. Heartspan is an organization specializing in programs for children with cerebral palsy, autism, seizure disorders, hearing loss and developmental delays.

This is the seventh year for singing valentines by the Valley Edition Barbershop Quartet.

"We want to express our sincere appreciation to the people of the Magic Valley," Waldapfel said. "Each year, thanks to their generosity, we have been able to donate more than \$1,000 to some very deserving young people."

The Valley Edition Quartet is



Members of the Valley Edition Barbershop Quartet are, from top to bottom, Fred Westerhold, Ed Waldapfel, Howard "Doc" Runk and Bob Parkinson.

a part of the Twin Falls Magichords Barbershop Chorus. Members of the Valley Edition Quartet include Howard "Doc" Runk, Bob Parkinson, Fred Westerhold and Waldapfel. The Magichords Chorus is a part of the Society

for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Chorus Singing in America, Inc. (SPEBCSA).

Cost of a song and a rose is \$25. To order the quartet for your sweetheart, or for more information, call 733-9550.

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• The Foster Grandparent Program is looking for volunteers to work with students at area high schools. If you are 60 or older, lower income and living in Burley, Gooding, Jerome, Rupert or Twin Falls, call Teresa at 736-2122.

• The Senior Companion Program is in need of volunteers to work with homebound elderly. Volunteers must be 60 or older and lower income. To get involved, call Teresa at 736-2122.

• Do you like to work with tiny tots? The College of Southern Idaho Child Care Center is in need of volunteers to work in their 0-18 month classroom. Volunteers should be 60 or older and lower income. For more information, call Teresa at 736-2122.

• The College of Southern Idaho Adult Basic Education program is in need of volunteer tutors for adult students in reading, English, math and English as a second language. A special need at this time is for a volunteer tutor to help in English as a second language classes from 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. For more information, call Ruth Scott at 733-9554 Ext. 2536 or 1-800-680-0274 Ext. 2536.

• A family has moved into a new trailer home and is in need of a refrigerator. If you can help, call Teresa at 733-9351.

• The Port of Hope is in need of a vacuum, carpet, cleaners with attachments, paint, paint brushes,

rollers, assorted furnishings and linens. If you can help, call Barbara at 734-5180.

• If you are caring and compassionate and would like to make a difference, call Susan Harris at Magic Valley Staffing Service. You will be rewarded for your acts of kindness to clients and family members who are experiencing a life-limiting illness. Duties of a volunteer can encompass a variety of jobs such as support for the patient and/or caregiver, clerical assistance, assisting in the preparation of a newsletter, copying, mass mailings and assisting with fund-raising activities. Service is provided throughout the Magic Valley and volunteers are needed in all locations. The Junior Hospice volunteer program, a new program, is also in need of volunteers.

An extended hospice training for all volunteers is planned for Feb. 24. For more information about the hospice training or volunteer service, call 734-0600 or outside the Twin Falls area at 1-800-303-0602.

• The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center assists families and individuals in transition. Currently, the center is in need of clothing for all ages and sizes, twin or double beds in good shape and kitchen table and chair sets. If you can be of any assistance, call Shannon at 736-2166.

• The College of Southern Idaho Adult Basic Education program is in need of volunteer tutors for adult students in reading,

English, math and English as a second language. The program has a special need for volunteer tutors in English as a second language for Chinese students from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. For more information, call Ruth Scott at 733-9554, Ext. 2536 or 1-800-680-0274, Ext. 2536.

• Volunteers are needed to give out information at the Buzz Langdon Visitor Center about Twin Falls and surrounding area. Volunteers meet people from all over the world and learn about their cultures. Flexible schedules are available. For more information, call the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce and ask for Judi at 733-3974.

• Have you ever wanted to do something really good, lasting and important? The Department of Health and Welfare needs a foster mother for a two-year-old girl. Call Ellen or Duane at 734-4000.

Fill your need

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call Judy Titton at the College of Southern Idaho, 736-2122, to have it appear in this column. It is requested that persons submitting items for this column should call Titton before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call Titton weekly to retain request.

Successful applicants were Glenda J. Brown and Debra R. Miller, both of Burley; Vernon L. Enfinger, both of Jeffrey; B. Hall and Stacey R. Torkelson, both of Filer; Tina L. Koch of Gooding; and Penny R. Buckland, Nester Hagan, Evelyn R. Laville and Kristi Rubialt Reed, all of Twin Falls.

For more information about the scholarship program, call Erin Allan at 737-2843 or Larry Baxter at 737-2480.

Awards presented to qualified racers

The Gem State Racing Pigeon Club held its annual awards banquet Jan. 22.

Awards presented for the young-bird season were high loft loft and average speed plaques to Rick Post, the Greely Plate for the 300-mile race to John Boyle (Lloyd Bakewell came in second), and the Gene Miller Memorial Award to Marc Baish.

Old-bird racing saw Boyle's pigeons winning eight races, with 12 races going to the Baish loft and six races going to the Post loft. Bakewell did not compete because he was moving his loft. Boyle won the 400-mile open from Dry Lakes, Nev., against the state of Idaho. Post won the 500-mile state race from Searchlight, Nev. Average speed award in the second went to Post, and Boyle had the Bird of the Year Award. Post was the winner of the Spirit of Competition Award for sportsmanship.

The Gem State Racing Pigeon Club sponsors new fliers and also has a junior program for ages 18 and under. For more information, call Lloyd Bakewell at 733-2246 or Marc Baish at 736-0559.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

St. Edwards plans 'Almost Paradise'

TWIN FALLS - St. Edward's Parish School will present "Almost Paradise," its 14th annual benefit dinner, auction and raffle today at St. Edward's Catholic Parish Hall, 206 Seventh Ave. E.

Live and silent auctions include dinners, art, weekend vacations, gift baskets, sporting packages and more. Items can be viewed at 5:30 p.m.

A luau-style roasted pork dinner, prepared by the Sawtooth Chapter Chef's Association and

the American Culinary Federation, will be served at 7 p.m. Cost is \$30. Tickets are available at Kurt's Pharmacy, Dick's Pharmacy and St. Edward's School.

Race track open for competition

TWIN FALLS - The Falls District Boy Scouts of America Pinewood Derby will be held today at the Magic Valley Mall. The track will be available from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to anyone, adults and kids alike, who have derby cars to race. The media race starts at 1 p.m., and the regular competition will be from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Breakfast raises funds for tourney

BUHL - A fund-raising breakfast will be held from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church hall. Pancakes, sausage and eggs will be served. Cost is by donation. Proceeds will be used to assist seventh- and eighth-grade religious education students and their parents who are planning to attend the 35th annual Father Hallissy Basketball tournament Feb. 13-15 in Boise.

For more information, call Teresa Tierly at 537-6559.

TFHS boosters begin planning

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls High School Bruin Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the teacher's lounge, located through the main front doors of the high school.

All parent representatives from various activities should attend to help plan the spring schedule of events.

For more information, call Karen Kohring at 733-6551.

20th Century Club to meet Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - The 20th Century Club has planned its monthly luncheon for Tuesday at the Turf Club.

Hazel Wilder will direct a program featuring the Heinemann family, a well-known musical group in Twin Falls.

To make a reservation or cancellation, call Maxine at 733-6564 before 10 a.m. Monday. Anyone wanting a ride should call Carma at 733-2782.

Snowmobile club plans weekend of fun

PINE - The Idaho Snow Riders Snowmobile Club will have its annual Fun Valley Weekend Friday through Feb. 15 at the Anderson Ranch Reservoir Recreation Area.

Modifications have been made to the event to accommodate more riders but lessen crowding.

Activities begin with a get-acquainted registration party and finger foods beginning at 7 p.m. Friday at the Deer Creek Lodge. Door prizes will be given away.

A Fun Run Snowmobile Ride starts at 9 a.m. Feb. 14. Trail conditions will determine the route of the ride. Lunch will be served at noon at the Trinity Warming Hut. Chili, hot dogs and beverages will be available. Prizes will be awarded to 25 riders, the oldest and youngest males, oldest and youngest females and the rider from the farthest away.

On Feb. 15, riders will be free to make their own plans. Organized or guided rides can be arranged. Restaurants in the valley including Fall Creek Resort, Deer Creek Lodge, Pine Resort and the Feathererville Cafe, are offering a variety of menus throughout the weekend.

A Fun Valley Weekend 1998 T-shirt is included in the package. Register early to secure shirt size. Package price is \$30. For more information, call Rose at 653-2431 or Trish at 653-2222.

Registration under way for workshop

HAILEY - Registration has begun for a teachers' and youth leaders' natural resources conservation workshop that will be held this month at Wood River Middle School.

The Project Learning Tree workshop is intended to provide hands-on, cross-curriculum and problem-solving activities for classrooms or youth groups, organizers say. Project Learning Tree uses trees as a "window" to learn more about the environment.

Workshop facilitator Linda Ries, community forester for the Sawtooth National Forest, said the Idaho Forest Products Commission, U.S. Forest Service and state Department of Lands are the workshop's main sponsors who are providing for the cost of materials. Ries is leading the local work-

shop, sponsored nationally by the American Forest Foundation and the Western Regional Environmental Education Council.

"It's one of the few programs that would be supported by both conservationists and industry people, because it's a balanced workshop," Ries said.

Workshop participants will receive a free activity guide and resource materials and will have time to network with local educators. The class will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Feb. 20 and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Feb. 21. Registration is required. To reserve a seat, call Linda Ries at 788-1850 or 788-6259 or Carol Cole at 727-5000. The workshop is free but one hour of course credit is available through Boise State University for a \$35 fee. Bring a lunch.

'Steel Magnolias' auditions scheduled

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Little Theater will hold auditions for its May production of "Steel Magnolias" from 3 to 7 p.m. Feb. 21. The community is invited to KMYT, 1100 Lake Lakes Blvd. N.

The cast consists of six women. Bruce Whitehead will be the director. Everyone is encouraged to come to the audition.

For more information, call Linda Fix at 734-0440.

Arthritis Foundation seeks volunteers

BOISE - The Arthritis Foundation is seeking volunteers to help with some of its programs. Leaders are needed for Aquatic Arthritis, a water exercise program, the Fibromyalgia Self-Help Course and the Fibromyalgia Support Group.

Training for all programs is planned for March 27 and 28 in Boise.

To volunteer or for more information, call Madeline Rush at (800) 444-4993.

The Arthritis Self-Help Course is an education program designed to complement the services provided by arthritis health-care professionals.

Memorabilia needed to complete gift

WENDELL - Peggy Whitehead of Wendell is planning a special event for her father's 75th birthday this summer. She wants to assemble a photo/crapbook including memorabilia from neighbors, family and friends.

Arrie F. Green lived in Twin Falls for 60 years. He participated in the Boy Scouts for three decades and received the Silver Beaver Award from the Snake

River Council. He retired from Consolidated Freightways after 35 years of service. He also was active in church and devoted to his family.

Anyone who has photos or other memories of Green is asked to send them to Peggy Whitehead, P.O. Box 448, Wendell, ID 83355. She would like the information by June 1.

For more information, call 536-6720.

Search for Vallivue students continues

CADWELL - Vallivue High School's Class of 1978 is planning its 20-year reunion for July 23-25. Help is needed to locate classmates. Anyone who has the addresses of classmates or who is interested in helping with the reunion is asked to call Connie Freckleton at (208) 888-3753.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Foundation awards scholarships

The Magic Valley Regional Medical Foundation has awarded 10 scholarships to students attending the College of Southern Idaho. The general support scholarships were for those accepted into the spring semester and included both the practical nursing and registered nursing programs.

Students who received scholarships will begin their nursing careers at the medical center upon completion of their studies. MVRMC is the financial sponsor of the scholarship program.

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THAT'S A TOUGHIE...

IF A GUY ASKS A STUPID QUESTION AND NOBODY IS THERE TO HEAR IT... IS IT STILL A STUPID QUESTION?

Garfield By Jim Davis

DID YOU EVER SNEEZE WHEN YOU HAD A MOUTHFUL OF CRACKERS?

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

WHY DO YOU ALWAYS DRESS LIKE A SLEAZE ON THE WEEKENDS, DAD?

I HAVE TO WEAR A SUIT TO WORK ALL WEEK.

WHAT'S YOUR EXCUSE?

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

SO LIKE TWO THOUSANDS OF HAMBURGERS.

CERTAINLY...

WOULD YOU LIKE THE INSURANCE WITH THAT?

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

BUSHES ALL OVER THE PLACE, BUT OH NO, MR. BIGSHOT INSISTS ON A TREE!!!

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

SOMEHOW YOUR BUNK LOOKS DIFFERENT.

IT'S A LOANER.

WHERE'S YOUR REGULAR BUNK?

THEY TOOK IT IN FOR ITS 10,000-HOUR CHECKUP.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

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AND THAT'S HOW CHESS IS PLAYED!

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HOW'S THAT?

THE KING HAS TO STAY AT HOME AND BE PROTECTED WHILE THE QUEEN HAS ALL THE POWER!

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

ARE YOU COMING TO THE HOSPITAL, DAD? I THINK NOW I'D LIKE IT IF HE STAYED WITH HER PAWLE.

YUG, I'LL BE THERE IN A MINUTE, I JUST WANT TO WAKE UP THE BED.

IT'S STILL WARM WHERE SHE WAS LYING.

IT'S STILL WARM.

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

THAT LOOKS AWFULLY SERIOUS! I CAN HANDLE IT.

ON DEAR, IT'S GETTING WORSE!

DON'T WORRY, DAWGWOOD. BLONDIE KNOWS HOW TO HANDLE LIKE THIS.

SEEP! I TOLD YOU I KNEW HOW TO HANDLE IT.

Pickles By Brian Crane

WHATCHA GONNA JUST READ?

HOW COME YOU COME SO MUCH?

WELL, NELSON, I SAID, "OUTSIDE OF A DOG, READING IS MAN'S BEST FRIEND."

"INGIDE OF A DOG, IT'S TO READ."

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

"BOY ARE WE LUCKY! THREE SNOW-STORMS IN ONE WEEK!"

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"I couldn't remember The Lord's Prayer, so I said the Pledge of Allegiance."

Sweet potatoes were wild first

Antlers grow from the tip. One survey concludes the microwave oven comes out first among technological devices that people say most improved their lives. "These who shoot darts from blow pipes in Brazil's tropical rainforests don't have to worry about the wind. There isn't any. Or hardly any ever. Q. Doesn't the sweet potato grow wild? A. It did. Cultivation changed it so much it's like corn now. Can't grow without human help. Could be the elder of elders in your own family grew up without embryos, created by two sets of mice parents, so they grow together, then transplant them into a third female mouse, thus to produce offspring with genetic characteristics of both sets of parents. They're called Moltisone. It was reported sometime back out of the Institute for Cancer Research in Philadelphia. Clear implication is the possibilities are not limited to mice.

WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd

"Misodocnikleidis" is a useful noun in some households. Very useful. It's one who lates to practice the piano. G. K. Chesterton said: "The Bible tells us to love our neighbors, and also to love our enemies, probably because they are generally the same people."

Norway's Lapps used to live in tepees. Claim is scientists can merge two embryos, created by two sets of mice parents, so they grow together, then transplant them into a third female mouse, thus to produce offspring with genetic characteristics of both sets of parents. They're called Moltisone. It was reported sometime back out of the Institute for Cancer Research in Philadelphia. Clear implication is the possibilities are not limited to mice.

Horoscope: Sydney Omar

IF FEBRUARY 7 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Current cycle relates to travel, participation in humanitarian projects, love relationship that has withstood hardship, disappointment and finally emerges as the real thing. Pices, Virgo persons play important roles in your life, could have three letters, initials in names: P, V, Y. You are spiritual, often overcome tendency to brood by transforming it into positive meditation. August your most romantic, profitable month. 1998.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Confused relative confides. "You were right all along. I won't dispute you!" Focus on initiative, the leaf of romance. Trip will be postponed. Leo figures in scene.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Mistake will be corrected. Family heirloom involved - gain cooperation from official in charge of lost and found. Cancer native plays role.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Financial status takes upward turn. Continue to choose your own stocks, to make choices in various fields, including relationships. Sagittarian plays role.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Soon you'll see the light and could become rich as a result. Clear emotional desire, set pace, be discreet concerning secret. Taurus, Scorpio persons are in picture.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 21): Enjoy Your kind of day - reading and writing, enjoying romantic interlude. Member of opposite sex declares, "You overheard me!" Gemini, Virgo persons represented.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 22): Good things coming your way! You win friends and influence people. You could be Sengale, the world's best Trippy! You'll have good fortune in finance, romance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): What apparently was secure will be taken away. You'll get it back, but from now on, keep valuables under lock and key. Psychic impression accurate - follow it and your heart.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Critics might complain, but you will be doing what comes naturally! Vindication comes - you'll hear sweet words, "You are smart and I love you!" Capricorn in picture.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Universal appeal! Refuse to be limited, dream of persuasion. Turn on charm, predict future, and make it come true to your advantage. Creative energy will be used.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Written material will arrive very soon. Focus on legal rights. Turn on charm, persuasion, marital status. Insist on driver's seat. Court destination and your destiny.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You'll win, "What I do right" is the word. "What I do right" is the word. Compliments concerning appearance, age appeal. Cancer native talks up a storm.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Utilize powers of persuasion. Turn on charm, display humor, versatility. Proposals received, career and marriage. You'll be asked to help design menu, product. Gemini involved.



A woman lights a candle Friday night next to the debris of the cable car in which 20 people fell to their deaths Tuesday when a U.S. Marine jet hit and cut the cable car line to Mt. Cervia, in Cavalese, Italy.

Accident brings out anti-Americanism

ROME (AP) — Anti-Americanism and anti-military sentiment have boiled to the surface here since a Marine Corps jet brought down a cable car in northern Italy, killing 20 people.

A RAI state television news program headlined the story "American Evil." Opinion-makers have cited the "arrogance of the world's only superpower."

Talk show guests, particularly leftist party members, have demanded the closing of U.S. bases in Italy and an Italian exit from NATO.

Some observers have taken exception, saying that similar incidents involving Italians have not aroused the same ire. But that has done little to quiet the anger.

Then, Oscar Luigi Scalfaro, widely viewed as Italy's moral conscience, echoed the prevailing mood when he linked the tragedy to the execution of Maria Faye Tucker in Texas. Both, he said, pointed to a reckless disregard for human life.

Speaking Wednesday at a ceremony in Salerno, southern Italy, he said it would be "terrible" to think the pilot of the U.S. plane was playing a "game."

Then, with disgust in his voice, the Italian president said that television reports about Tucker's execution had noted that some spectators outside the prison had cheered after she was pronounced dead.

"And we are on the threshold of 2,000 years after Christ!" Scalfaro exclaimed.

The United States has its defenders.

Consigliere Pierluigi Battista noted in Turin's La Stampa newspaper that Aviano air base, where the Marine EA-6B Prowler was based, also served as a warning for efforts by the United States and NATO to settle a European war, in Bosnia.

Amid widespread cries to pun-

U.S. says pilot was flying too low

TRENTO, Italy (AP) — A Marine jet that brought down a cable car loaded with skiers was flying "well below" the approved altitude of 500 feet, the U.S. military acknowledged Friday — another day of clashes with Italians investigating the deadly accident.

The Italian prosecutor leading the civilian inquiry complained the Americans waited two days before handing over a data recorder from the plane. He said some data may have been lost when the device was removed from the plane.

All 20 people aboard the gondola died Tuesday when the low-flying EA-6B Prowler sliced through the car's cable, sending them plunging about 300 feet to their deaths at a ski resort in the northern Dolomites.

Defense Minister Beniamino Andreatta told Parliament that the plane flew under the cable and was nearly six miles off its approved course. Prime Minister Romano Prodi was quoted Friday as saying the pilot had clearly violated Italian law.

ish the pilot, the death of Italian journalists, Indro Montanelli, said in Milan's Corriere della Sera that no Italian authorities suffered consequences after three Italian jets collided in 1988 at an air show at the U.S. air base in Ramstein, Germany, killing 69 people. The three pilots also were killed.

Others recalled that an appeals court cleared an Italian pilot whose fighter jet crashed into a school and killed 12 youngsters eight years ago.

national parliament.

Although Jakarta has been calm, there have been outbreaks of rioting in other parts of the main island of Java and elsewhere.

A dozen people have been arrested in recent weeks in about a dozen centers. Storekeepers, mainly members of the ethnic Chinese minority, have become scapegoats as the economy's deep problems push up food prices.

Earthquake jolts north Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A powerful earthquake touched off landslides and toppled mud and brick homes from hillsides in Afghanistan's remote northeast, officials said Friday. The death toll ranged from 2,150 to 4,000.

Reports emerging from the isolated "northern" province of Takhar indicated that the poor farming area lost as many as 15,000 homes in Wednesday's quake. The U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colorado said the quake had a magnitude of 6.1.

"The hills collapsed into each other, making a huge crater in the earth," said Sher Mohammed, a spokesman for the

military alliance that controls the area.

The greatest destruction was at a junction between the Hindu Kush and Pamir mountain ranges, he told The Associated Press by satellite telephone.

Rubble buried thousands of mud and brick homes perched on hillsides. Tremors rocked the area for hours and heavy snow hindered rescue efforts. Weather may prevent U.N. and Red Cross teams from reaching the devastation at the epicenter until Sunday — if at all.

Rescue teams pulled thousands of bodies from the rubble, and Mohammed said the death toll

was expected to rise beyond 4,000.

Other officials and reports indicated the death toll was lower.

The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies had a "very provisional" death toll of 2,150, based on information from Red Crescent teams in the country, spokesman Charles Evans said from Geneva late Friday.



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Trolley falls into river; 34 kids die

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — A tractor pulling a trolley full of children returning from a picnic crashed into a truck and plunged into a river in central India, killing at least 34 children, news agencies reported.

More than 50 schoolchildren were crammed into the trolley when the crash occurred Thursday in Madhya Pradesh state, 300 miles south of New Delhi, United News of India reported.

The children were returning from a school picnic in the town of Bag Kejra, the agency said. Children who were not seriously hurt ran to a nearby village for help.

It was the second accident involving children this year. Last month, an overcrowded bus returning from a high school picnic skidded into a river, killing at least 53 people and leaving 16 missing and presumed drowned.

Suicide bomber attacks after prince leaves

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) — A suicide bomber blew himself up in downtown Colombo Friday just hours after Prince Charles ended a visit to the Indian Ocean island nation, killing eight other people and wounding five.

There was no indication the attack was aimed at Prince Charles, who had used his four-day visit to appeal for an end to Sri Lanka's ethnic violence, condemning an earlier bombing blamed on rebels of the Tamil minority.

Security had been strengthened for the prince's trip, easing after he flew out of Sri Lanka's civilian airport en route to Nepal. The bomber, who struck six hours after Charles left, detonated explosives concealed in her handbag when she was stopped at a checkpoint 300 yards from the gates of Sri Lanka's air force headquarters, said B.D.M.T. Dissanayake, Colombo's deputy inspector general of police.

The attack killed three air force guards and two army soldiers, as well as the woman and her three companions.

"They had probably planned to attack earlier but could not do so," given the tight security, Dissanayake said.

Police blamed the attack on Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, the main rebel group fighting for a Tamil homeland. The war has killed more than 50,000 people in the last 15 years.

The same group was blamed for the Jan. 25 bombing at the nation's holiest Buddhist temple, said to contain a tooth of Buddha.

Swedish study finds no evidence linking implants to tissue disease

LONDON (AP) — Women who receive breast implants have no increased risk of developing connective tissue disorders, according to a study of more than 10,000 women in Sweden.

The study, published Friday in the British Medical Journal, is in line with several previous surveys that found either a slight risk or no increased risk of connective tissue disease due to breast implants.

Two independent researchers who wrote a commentary in the British Medical Journal said the

Swedish study added "weight to the conclusion that silicone breast implants are not associated with a meaningful excess risk of connective tissue disease."

"It is difficult to see how epidemiological studies will shed more light on this vexed issue," added Cyrus Cooper and Elaine Denison of the Environmental Epidemiology Unit at the University of Southampton in Britain.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

TF man faces charges for writing invalid check

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls man convicted of a crime has been arrested on another charge.

Peter Burton, 32, was arrested by state probation officers Wednesday on a warrant for writing a closed account check. Twin Falls police reports say. He posted \$1,500 bond Thursday and was released, promising to appear for his arraignment on the charges, court records say.

An article in *The Times-News* Wednesday described Burton's plans to open a dance club on Main Avenue in downtown Twin Falls with his partner, Alexandra Zaitsev. Burton wrote a \$1,200 check Oct. 8, 1997 to Zaitsev from his business, Old World Flooring Artistry, the report said.

The checking account check, Twin Falls police reports say, was written on a First Interstate check, but First Interstate became Wells Fargo Bank in 1996, the report noted.

Burton is on intensive supervision by parole officers after a felony conviction last spring for lewd and lascivious conduct with a child under 16. Burton was given a suspended three-to-seven-year prison sentence, and jailed for six months and put on four years probation.

Semi truck tips along I-84 median; driver cut from cab

TWIN FALLS - A semi driver had to be oriented from his truck after it and three trailers tipped into the Interstate 84 median Friday morning.

Preston Lousure, 57, of Smyrna, Tenn., was driving westbound on I-84 at 3:25 a.m. when the truck left the road about four miles east of the Eden exit, an Idaho State Police report said. The Consolidated Freightways truck went off the left edge of the pavement and tipped into the median, the report said.

Lousure had to be cut from the cab, the report said. He was taken to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, where he was listed in fair condition Friday afternoon.

Family asks for help finding missing 81-year-old man

TWIN FALLS - The family of a missing man is asking for help finding him.

Ellis Mendenhall, 81, has been missing since about 12:40 p.m. Jan. 28 when he left his assisted-living facility, Claudia Harvey said.

Mendenhall was driving a brand new 1997 Lincoln Continental when he left the center, Harvey said. The car is has license plates 2T U540, and had about 100 miles' worth of fuel, she said.

The car has not been located.

Mendenhall is 5 feet 6 inches tall, 190 pounds, with gray hair and big dimples. He had been on multiple medications until the day he left, and Harvey believes he is in need of medical treatment.

Mendenhall is listed with Twin Falls police as missing. If you have information on Mendenhall, call Twin Falls police at 735-1911.

Senator plans hearing on how SNRA is managed

TWIN FALLS - U.S. Sen. Larry Craig plans a hearing on management of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area Feb. 16. The public hearing will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium at the College of Southern Idaho.

Reps. Mike Crapo and Helen Chenoweth are scheduled to testify before the subcommittee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510.

Written comments may be sent to: The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510.

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WANTED in the Magic Valley

Name: Steven Michael Sims

Age: About 27.

Description: White male, 5 feet 11 inches tall, 160 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair.

Wanted for: Failure to appear, original charge of grand theft by deception.

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information on Sims to call 736-4111 or 736-1911.

How much should a patient know?

Senate ponders patient freedom of information act

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

BOISE - Lisa Hess, a Jerome single mother of two, taps a grapevine of neighbors and other physicians whenever she shops for a doctor.

No length of grapevine, however, can provide a detailed resume of criminal and malpractice histories. The Patient



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Freedom of Information Act, a proposal moving through the Senate, would do just that - and more.

"I think it would be good," Hess said.

"They're not gods, and you still have to know at least something about somebody who is potentially dealing with your health."

The bill's author, the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry, won its first victory Friday, when the Senate Health and Welfare Committee unanimously recommended sending the bill to the Senate floor for further consideration.

The association says such information is necessary in Idaho. Health care is changing rapidly and in an increasingly competitive market, patients are in the dark when it comes to making an informed choice.

"It gives them a little more power in the decision-making process," said

Dawn Justice, director of human resources for the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry.

Brian Edwards, a Burley doctor of internal medicine and geriatrics, said he likes the idea. But he wonders if people will misunderstand the information.

"I don't think doctors have anything to hide," Edwards said. "People seem to think doctors are like presidents, without sin. We're human beings. But there are some people who don't want that

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New Shoshone school begins to take shape

By Karma M. Fitzgerald
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - A mild winter has been a blessing for contractors working on the new Shoshone school.

According to Leonard Bay, Starr Corp's project manager for the job, cold weather has only stopped work a few days this year.

"We probably would have shut down the project if we would have had a normal winter," Bay said.

He admits the builders are not as far along as they would like to be, but they chose to put off a few parts of the project rather than charge the Shoshone School District extra money for cold-weather equipment.

The shell of the \$4.2 million building is up, and crews are finishing the insulation and roof.

The building features three wings - one each for the grade school, junior high and high school. The center corridor will house a cafeteria, offices and a common area.

The school's gymnasium, just off the center corridor, is also starting to take shape, but the wooden floor and equipment in the gym won't be added this year due to a lack of funds, Superintendent Max Excell said. Students will continue to use the gym at the existing high school until enough money can be generated to finish the new facility, he said.

Thanks to a series of technology grants, each classroom will be equipped with at least one computer and will have Internet access. There will also be two computer labs - one for the business classes and one general for all students.

The building's interior will be carpeted, but only a few rooms will be air-conditioned. Excell said the entire building will be equipped for air conditioning, but it



Shoshone Superintendent Max Excell surveys the work at Shoshone's new school.

won't be installed until more money is available.

Shoshone voters approved a \$3.75 million bond issue by a narrow margin in March 1996. The rest of the money has come from a construction fund the district started several years ago, Excell said.

By the time the building is completed

in August, both those accounts will be depleted.

"We'll have very little carry-over," Excell said.

The existing buildings will be put up for sale.

"If they don't sell, we've committed to tear them down except for the gymna-

um at the high school," Excell said.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony has not been scheduled yet, but classes are scheduled to start in the new building in August.

Correspondent Karma M. Fitzgerald can be reached in Shoshone at 886-7068.

Going organic works for local businesses

Independent food manufacturers grow in valley's ag economy

Barb Nelwert
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - A close inspection of grocery store shelves reveals a variety of specialty food items developed, produced and marketed by local independent food manufacturers.

"There's a growing demand nationwide for specialty foods," said Laura Johnson, marketing specialist with the state Department of Agriculture in Boise.

"People want organic. They want fresh, they want variety, and they're pretty darn demanding," she said.

One of the main reasons small food manufacturers fail is packaging, Johnson said.

"One of the biggest mistakes they make is they don't invest enough in packaging design," she said. The package is the customer's first impression at the point of sale, and if the label looks unattractive, the product won't move, she said.

About 200 specialty food manufacturers in Idaho are trying to capitalize on this trend, including these three

local companies.

Camas Grains, Fairfield

"We started out as a family-owned grain elevator co-op, and now we deal primarily with organic grains," said Steve Miller, part-owner of Camas Grains.

Miller processes and distributes organic grains throughout the United States, with half of his nearly \$15 million in annual sales going to British Columbia markets.

Over the past three years Camas Grains has branched out to include packaging for individual consumer use.

"I thought we'd get more development in our small packaging products than we have, but it's still growing," Miller said. As part of a \$4.5 billion national organic industry, Miller is optimistic his grains will continue to fare well at the consumer level.

With four full-time employees and two part-timers, Miller and his wife Linda strive to fill the niche for the health-conscious public. Organic grains are certified and purchased from 43 local growers on the Camas Prairie.

The main part of this business, now and forever will be, is credibility," Miller said.

In business since 1982, Camas Grains has a track record, but that's not so easy for start-up businesses.

Yummy Foods, Halley

As a former restaurant owner and head chef of the Sun Valley Lodge, Vance Carter knows his way around food.

That's one reason he and his wife, Gargine, decided to produce a favorite family recipe for salad dressings - they knew a good thing when they saw it.

Thus Yummy Foods was born. Carter fine-tuned and developed recipes for a variety of vinaigrette dressings, and began production in October. Three months of production has yielded Yummy Foods a \$12,000 sales volume.

Two more vinaigrettes are due for production in mid-February, with other products slated.

The Carters found the pathway to starting their business through the Idaho Specialty Food Processing Center in Caldwell.

The center is a nonprofit business incubator and processing plant for small food manufacturers. Carter oversees the production process directly and maintains control over ingredients, labeling, bottling and distribution.

Using all fresh products and no preservatives or thickening agents, Yummy Foods dressings targets consumer demand for freshness.

"It doesn't taste like a commercial

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Dietrich suffers pay crunch

School officials say no way around low wages

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

DIETRICH - The Dietrich School District is among the lowest-paying in Idaho, but district officials say there's no way around it.

One problem is the district's size, Superintendent Jim Harshfield said. Just over 200 students - from pre-schoolers to high school seniors - attend classes in a single building.

Income apparently also are low among the district's parents, since about 70 percent of Dietrich's students qualified for free or reduced-cost lunch programs this year, Harshfield said.

The School Board and local residents seem strongly opposed to consolidating with nearby Shoshone or any other school district, he said.

"They're interested in keeping a Dietrich identity, because if they lose the

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Man convicted of aggravated battery returns to prison

By Penelope Reedy
Times-News writer

BURLEY - A man who told a judge, "I have these rages" will pay for his violent behavior with a prison term.

Judge George Granata Jr. revoked the probation of 21-year-old Jose Jesus Miramontes on Friday, sending him to a state prison.

Miramontes stabbed Joel Lopez Prieta six times in the abdomen in October 1995. Convicted of aggravated battery in 1996, he had been serving probation ever since.

But Deputy Prosecutor Howard Smyser described Miramontes as "one of my worst probationers."

Miramontes faced two charges of violating his probation - once by beating a female friend on Aug. 17, 1996, and once by driving without privileges.

Granata said protecting society outweighed the promise of rehabilitation in this case.

"It's never an easy decision to take away the liberty of a person, but this case has a reputation for protecting society," Smyser said.

In support of Miramontes, his lawyer

Elizabeth Burr-Jones reminded the court that the probation violation charges consisted of only one misdemeanor battery offense driving without privileges charge.

She said she believed Miramontes had had the opportunity to recognize the "demons inside of him," by voluntarily putting himself in a counseling program.

Miramontes told the court he grew up in a violent household, that his parents fought.

"I see this problem with violence all my life. I can't really say what it is," he said. "There really isn't no explanation for what I done. This is the first time I've

put myself in counseling."

"What did you learn about why you beat up women?" Granata asked.

"My counselor says it's built-up anger," Miramontes said. "I have these rages."

"Mr. Miramontes, I have an obligation to protect society," Granata said. "I guess I'm not convinced you're in a position to control yourself."

Granata reinstated Miramontes' 1-year to 5-year prison term with credit for 223 days already served in jail.

Times-News staff writer Penelope Reedy can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

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Hagerman looks at extending sewer

By Gina Mulder
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — A Local Improvement District is an option city officials are willing to consider paying for extending city sewer service to the west side of town.

Council members Tuesday agreed to investigate the city's responsibilities in creating the district after Dale Adamson of Hagerman again asked City Council members to take whatever measures were necessary to run sewer lines to that side of town.

The idea of establishing an improvement district appealed to the council because it would isolate the tax burden to just those property owners who would be getting the new sewer service.

Councilman Dale Weir said he would gather the particulars about creating the separate taxing district for the Feb. 17 council meeting.

Adamson, who owns about 10 undeveloped city lots at 1st and Main streets, said he is unable to develop the property because city sewer service isn't available.

The west side of Hagerman would require some type of pump station to move the waste to the city's main lines. Estimated costs to run sewer service to the west side are about \$42,000.

"We're completely open to dialogue about running sewer lines to that end of town," Weir said.

"However, financially, the city's hands are tied. We just don't have the money," Adamson said.

Adamson, who has been requesting sewer service for the past eight years, presented the city with financing options, from lending the city the money to several grant possibilities.

Mayor James Norwood said the city could not borrow money from a private party and a sizeable bond issue means paying a bond issue.

In other City Council business: City Attorney Phil Brown will draft a letter to Les Lynch advising him to clean up his vacant lot at 3rd and Reed streets. The property is littered with abandoned cars, tires and equipment, which council members say violates the city's nuisance ordinance.

Lynch would have 30 days to clean up the lot. If he refuses, the city may remove the cars and

charge the cost to Lynch, or the city can seek a judicial order.

"Obtaining a legal order is the safest way the city could go," Brown said.

"The judge would make the final determination. That way (Lynch) can't claim the trash removed was really his treasures,"

Norwood said the response to opening the city's garbage collection to a franchise has been negative. The council will continue looking at all options for trash collection.

"We're not signing anything, we're just looking," he said.

Council members Weir and Lyle Cornelison agreed sit on a committee charged with researching their options in regards to the proposed Western Legends golf course.

Mike McCarthy of Western Legends says this will be a way to bring information back to the council in a cohesive manner. Developers of the 680-acre golf course and housing development have asked the city to consider annexing the project.

Times-News correspondent Gina Mulder can be reached in Hagerman at 837-6273.

Police arrest young trio for burglary

BLACKFOOT (AP) — Three local juveniles have been arrested in Woodlawn after their truck matched the description of one stolen during a recent rash of burglaries and vandalism.

A 15-year-old boy and two 12-year-old boys have been charged with burglary, malicious injury and grand theft, Bingham County Sheriff's Capt. Robert Sobieski said.

They were arrested Wednesday night in Afton, Wyo. The three allegedly went on a rampage Tuesday night, vandalizing an elementary school, a church and a repair shop, before stealing the truck.

At Moreland Elementary School, police say the boys are responsible for damaging six computers and leaving several offices and classrooms in disarray. Some bathroom sinks were plugged up and the water was left running, causing about \$20,000 in damage, Sheriff's Det. Paul Newbold said.

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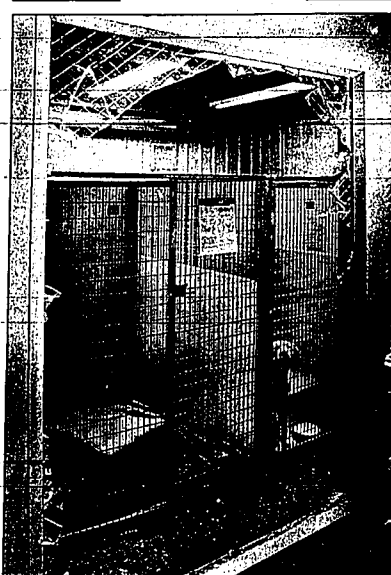
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LEFT BEHIND



Intruders broke the window on this door leading into the dog cages at the Jackson County Animal Shelter in Talent, Ore., on Friday. They were trying to abduct Nadas, a dog who has been sentenced to death because of an Oregon law that requires capital punishment for dogs who chase livestock. One problem: the dog wasn't there. Police, who have kept Nadas' location a secret, say the suspects ransacked the place in what appeared to be a frustrated search for the condemned dog.

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Highways get reduced speeds

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The Idaho Transportation Department has ordered reduced speed limits for commercial trucks in Idaho's five northern counties, starting Tuesday.

The lower speed limit of 35 mph is necessary to help reduce the damage to area highways, the department said.

The restrictions allow trucks to carry legal loads while reducing the impact to the road surface.

Winter weather and the anticipated wet spring contribute to the breakup of the pavement.

"Motorists are being asked to be patient with the inconvenience of trucks traveling at the 35 mph limit," a Transportation Department statement said.

Reduced speeds now will benefit everyone using the state highways later in the year by reducing the potential damage to highways in northern Idaho.

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Cassia County

BURLEY — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Cassia County included:

Drunken-driving sentences

Manuel Rodriguez, 25, Box 312, Heyburn; misdemeanor; \$400 fine, \$750 court costs, 500 defender fees, 30 days in jail with 18 suspended, one year's probation, treatment program, 90 days' driver's license suspended, time credited; Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway.

Felony sentences

Expidition Fuentes Jr., 28, 335 S. 130 W. Rupert; possession of controlled substance; \$435.50 court costs, nine days in jail, 30 months' probation, 18 months' determinate penitentiary time, 42 months' indeterminate penitentiary.

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CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

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Lucy Anderson, August Newbert, Betty Randolph, Norine Robinson and Mary Thompson, all of Burley; Elmyra Broadhead, Debra Cantrell, John McKnight and Healey Wright, all of Rupert; and Meryl Chapin of Heyburn.

Released

Gina Chapa, Kelli Edwards and Donald Silcock, all of Burley; Windy Craner, Tamara Hyde and Elray Edelman, all of Rupert; and Claude Shockey of Heyburn.

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and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, three sons, two daughters, several grandchildren, two sons-in-law, two sisters, one brother, three half-brothers, and parents.

A graveside service for Hettie will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 9, 1998, at the Hazelton Cemetery with Al Stone officiating. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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married Jesse Vaughn Hobson on July 28, 1950, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. She was a member of the LDS Church and was currently serving as a stake missionary with her husband. She had also served in various capacities in the Young Women's organization and Relief Society. Opal loved her family, grandchildren, taking pictures, cooking, reading and keeping the family history.

Survivors include her husband, Vaughn of Burley; four sons, Vaughn Paul (Jolene) Hobson and David Mark (Lisa) Hobson, both of Burley; Barry Lou (Marna) Hobson of Kuni and Jared Earl Hobson of Provo, Utah; four daughters, Joana Loraine (Jim) McBride of Oakley, Kathleen Opal (Ito Michael) Parson of Burley, Beverly (Gordon) White of Orem, Utah, and Heather Elizabeth (Brian) Stokoe of Sandy, Utah; her mother, Violet Loraine Hansen of St

Cassia schools will consider moving Declo sixth graders

By Jennifer Sandman
Times-News writer

DECLO - Next year's sixth-grade class in Declo may move up to junior high a year early.

On Monday, the Cassia County School Board will review a proposal to move Declo's sixth graders from the town's elementary school to its junior high next year.

The junior high and elementary principals sent home a letter to parents, informing them of Monday's meeting and asking their opinions about the sixth-grade plan. The idea is to use sixth grade as a gradual transition from elementary school to junior high.

Sixth-graders would not be fully immersed into junior high life. They would continue to have one teacher most of the day, but the three sixth-grade teachers would rotate among one another's classes to teach specialized courses in math, language arts and science.

Junior High Principal Ron Knowles said the junior high will have room for the sixth-graders since high schoolers move into their new building, which is under construction next door.

The district is building the new school with a portion of the \$21.9 million bond issue voters that passed in March 1996. It will create more room for the long-overcrowded Declo school.

Progressing from elementary school to junior high is about responsibility, Knowles said. In sixth grade, students have been content in one classroom with one teacher and have had all their books in their desks. In seventh grade, students can have up to six teachers and are moved to a different classroom for nearly every subject. They keep school supplies in their lockers, for which they must learn a combination that is itself can be intimidating.

Louanna King, elementary



Seventh-graders Blake Darrington, 13, right, John Kohnakia, 13, center, and Eli Woolstenhulme, 12, stop at their lockers before heading to class.

librarian and parent of grade schoolers, was president of the Parent Teacher Organization in 1996-97. Parents were informed then that moving the sixth-grade to the junior high could be a possibility if the bond issue passed. King said she supports the plan. It would be advantageous for the sixth-graders to be with friends their own age, she said.

"I think sixth grade is a real

transition. They're not little kids anymore. They're starting to become their own person," King said.

At the same time, it's scary for children to start junior high. King said. Making the transition gradual would help students ease into the change.

In the long run, she said, sixth-graders would benefit from having more than one teacher.

District proposes closing of Springdale Kindergarten

The Times-News

BURLEY - The Cassia County School Board will review on Monday a proposal to close Springdale Kindergarten at the end of the school year.

Closure would result in cost-savings and allow students to attend school closer to home, Assistant Superintendent Jerry Daggett said. The building dates back to the late 1920s and has a coal furnace.

Declo kindergartners and two teachers would move to Declo Elementary. Burley kindergartners, all of whom attend Springdale, would transfer to Mountain View Elementary. The four Mountain View fourth graders would be moved to White Pine Intermediate, which apparently has enough room to handle an influx of students.

Mountain View might need to add one or two portable classrooms, because six kindergarten teachers will be moving in and only four fourth-grade teachers will be vacating classrooms. Springdale's half-time principal would continue to manage the

Meeting
The Cassia County School Board meets at 8 a.m. at the district office, 237 E. 19th St., Burley. The public is welcome. For more information call 678-6600.

Burley kindergarten program. About 300 students attend Springdale this year.

Total estimated savings to the district could range between \$64,500 and \$79,500 annually, according to district calculations. Savings would result from a reduction in transportation costs and elimination of upkeep of the old building.

A part-time custodial and a full-time secretarial position each would be eliminated if the school is closed. District leaders say they hope to find other jobs for the two employees.

Springdale's one special education class - about seven students - might be absorbed into another class depending on student numbers. That would eliminate a half-time special education teaching position.

The sixth-grade is just one of Declo's classes that could be moved as the new high school nears completion.

The high school occupies three-and-a-half elementary classrooms. Principal Lee Bruegger said. When the new high school opens, elementary classes will be able to use them again. Space has been reserved for them. Albion's class has 27 students this year.

The School Board also will review on Monday a proposal to close Springdale Kindergarten and move Declo kindergartners to Declo Elementary school.

Elementary to return to Declo, Bruegger said. Albion traditionally had been a kindergarten through fourth-grade school, but Declo sends some of its fifth-graders there because it doesn't have room for them. Albion's class has 27 students this year.

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Times-News staff writer Jennifer Sandman can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 241.

Bonner County officials raid own courthouse

SANDPOINT (AP) - Bonner County law enforcement officials have raided their own courthouse, looking for illegal drugs. And the raid landed one department head in jail on a cocaine-possession charge.

"The public should know that if we got a cancer here, we are going to get it out," Sheriff Chip Ross said.

Joe Bowman, head of the county's building maintenance department, was arrested on his way to work on Thursday.

Bowman, 43, was charged with possession of cocaine and conspiracy to possess cocaine.

Authorities searched Bowman's home and his work area at the courthouse, using two drug-sniffing dogs.

Legislature has united front on nuke dump

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Legislative leaders are backpedaling from statements that Utah ought to plan for the eventuality of harboring a nuclear waste repository.

On Friday, they lined up solidly behind Gov. Mike Leavitt in a takedown of opposition to the plan. The change came after Leavitt intervened Friday following news reports that Republican legislative leadership, particularly House Speaker Mel Brown, thought the state ought to plan for the possibility that tons of highly radioactive atomic waste might find its way to Utah's West Desert.

On Friday Brown said that position had been misconstrued. He emphasized that he does not favor the proposal by a consortium of 11 power companies to send their atomic waste to the desolate Skull Valley reservation of the Goshute Indians.

Beyond the pain of arthritis: Young Burley woman stays positive

By Curtis Hanzel
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY - After surgery to replace both of her hips, Cindy Brown was immobilized on her back, and hours of painful physical therapy. Cindy Brown is glad to be back on her feet.

The 20-year-old Burley resident suffers from rheumatoid arthritis, a common form of arthritis that affects 2.1 million Americans. Causing inflammation of the lining of the joints and occasionally affecting internal organs, it's a painful condition.

"I couldn't make a fist with my hands, and my feet would swell

up," she said. "It used to take me 10 minutes just to put on my shoes."

The Burley High School graduate was in her first semester at Ricks College when she started noticing the swelling and was first diagnosed. It got so bad, she said, she was forced to drop out and come home.

The condition commonly persists for years, and can cause damage to cartilage, bones, tendons and ligaments. It usually hits people later in life, but isn't uncommon in younger patients.

During two years of treatment, Brown was able to head back to Rexburg, but when doctors deter-

mined Brown would need surgery to replace both her hips, she had to take time out again.

Brown went into the October surgery with feelings of uncertainty.

"If it only took two years for the disease to wear out my hips, how long will the rest of my body last?" she said. "I knew they couldn't keep replacing parts of me forever."

Complications arose during surgery. Hairline fractures in the bones of both her thighs meant she couldn't put any weight on her legs for six weeks. Despite her reliance on others during this time, Brown kept a positive attitude.

"My grandmother was my role

model," she said. "She never had anything bad to say, and could find the good in any situation. I was like, 'I can be as happy or as unhappy as either way I would still have arthritis.'"

In this frame of mind, she's been able to recover and hopes to get back to Ricks this fall, as she's walking again.

"I'm using a cane until I can get strong enough not to need it," she said, adding that her new hips are a definite improvement. "I can do things I couldn't do before."

Wages

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school, they become just another stop on the road," Harshfield said. He wages most of the blame for the school to keep enough teachers for every grade and run non-academic programs such as music, Harshfield said.

District enrollment entitles the district to state funding for 17 1/2 teachers, but the district has 12 active positions, he said.

But District Director says she appreciates having at least one teacher per grade, but she wonders why teachers can't be scheduled more efficiently to eliminate the need for the extra two positions.

"These extra two teachers are paid out of my salary and everyone else's salary," she said.

This year, the starting salary for a teacher in Dietrich is \$19,839, while the most experienced and highest-paid teachers make \$28,695, Harshfield said.

During the 1995-1996 academic year, the average teacher's salary in Dietrich was \$21,600, he said. The average secondary teacher's salary during the 1996-1997 academic year was \$26,743, he said. The 35 Idaho districts with 99 or fewer students, according to information from the Idaho Department of Education. The average elementary teacher's salary in these districts was \$25,521, according to the education department.

Head teachers in Idaho's 35 smallest districts made an average of \$30,796 in 1996-1997, according to the department. An education department printout of the 107 Idaho superintendent's salaries shows that salaries this academic year varied from \$12,070 in the Boise Independent School District to \$19,800 in Avery, with an average of \$68,338. Harshfield's salary of \$55,132 ranks 96th.

"There's a couple of (teachers) who are upset about the situation, but I don't have a magic wand to solve it. Nobody does," Dietrich School Board Chairman Jeff

Weber said. Even so, relations between teachers, the administration and the school board are good, Weber said.

Rodriguez agreed, saying teachers place most of the blame for their low wages on the state.

But an undercurrent of discontent persists because the district is scheduled to have a surplus of money, he said.

Recently bought a parcel of land near the school building, she said. The district has a \$300,000 surplus, Harshfield said. But it has taken years to save the extra money, he said. If used to hike wages, the surplus would quickly disappear, and could probably not be built up again.

"It's there in case one of our boilers blows in the middle of the winter," or some other expensive emergency occurs, Harshfield said.

The \$300,000 is a little more surplus than the education department recommends for the district of Dietrich's size, he said.

attitude, Cindy made my job pleasant."

Even though Brown is able to walk and do things she had been uncertain, but she seems determined to face the future with a smile.

"I just have to keep everything in perspective," she said. "You can have a lot of inner growth through this kind of experience."

Times-News correspondent Curtis Hanzel can be reached through Mini-Cassia Bureau Chief Gregory Hahn in Burley at 677-4042.

Food

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dressing," Carter said.

With plans for expansion, his main problem is start-up capital. "I've got a lot of ideas, but by the seat of our pants," he said.

Brisk Mountain, Buhl

Gary and Connie Fawcett went to farmer's markets last summer to sell a hot chocolate mix that had concocted from a church cookbook. The mix sold well, so they brought along homemade

pies. People began asking for sugar-free hot chocolate mix, so they came up with a recipe.

Brisk Mountain was such a big hit at the farmer's market that the Fawcetts have branched out to sell their products at local grocery stores.

They began at Atkinson's markets and have now sold nearly \$10,000 worth of products to eight stores in the Wood River Valley, Shoshone, Jerome, Wendell and Twin Falls.

"Our customers are inquisitive

about unique products, so we let (manufacturers) bring it in, do a taste test, and then Atkinson's will market it," said Mel Brothwell, store manager of the Halley Atkinson's store.

"What may be an exotic item now could very well become a mainstream five years from now," Brothwell said.

"It all started out just for fun," Fawcett said. The company bakes 20 pies at a time in a certified kitchen in Buhl, and distributes pies every Friday.

"They could put anything on (the report forms), they could lie if they want to," said Jane Bennett-Munro, a pathologist at Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital and chairman of the State Board of Medicine.

Physicians would submit the profiles every year when they renew their medical licenses. Other states have enacted similar laws. The Idaho Medical Association supports the bill.

Ken Pedersen, a Twin Falls lawyer who represents patients in malpractice lawsuits against physicians, said he likes the bill, partly because it would disclose whether a physician owns malpractice insurance.

He contends that even though doctors may tend to want to self-protect their history of malpractice suits, at least they will have to reveal them in some form.

"Just because the information is unfavorable doesn't mean it's not useful," Pedersen said.

Times-News writer Liz Wright can be reached in Boise at 345-4198.

Information

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perception shattered."

"If you think your doctor is perfect, you don't know your doctor," Edwards said. "It comes back to a relationship."

Under the bill, anyone who wanted to find out something about a doctor, nurse, chiropractor, anesthetist, physician's assistant, dentist, physical therapist or psychologist would be provided information by the State Board of Medicine. The board already provides some information on physicians' backgrounds, including whether any disciplinary action has been taken against them.

The bill asks the board of medicine to provide:

- Specialty certifications.
- Location and type of practice for the past 10 years.
- Whether they have malpractice insurance, or have been denied any malpractice insurance.
- Language translation services.

• Felony convictions over the past 10 years.

Disciplinary actions by boards or hospitals over the past 10 years.

Regarding malpractice information, physicians would have to disclose settlements of malpractice suits within the past five years of practice, only if there have been five or more settlements within the past five years of more than \$50,000. They would also have to disclose their malpractice history if there were more than 10 settlements of any amount within the past five years.

The information, available in print or through the Internet, would contain a warning that settlements do not necessarily reflect negatively on the physician and that "some specialties are more likely than others to be the subject of litigation."

Physicians could also explain their reasons for settling a case. The physicians' boards say they are concerned about the increased administrative responsibilities imposed by the bill. They say they would lose credibility with the public because much of the malpractice informa-

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Attorney general says agencies mislead over grizzly project

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Attorney General Al Lance charged Friday that the Forest Service and Fish and Wildlife Service have taken contradictory positions on the land-use impacts of reintroducing grizzly bears in Idaho.

"We have found the smoking gun of what many Idahoans feared but didn't want to believe," Lance said. "Today we have further evidence that the entire public process has been a sham, if not fraudulent."

In cases of the Fish and Wildlife Service's draft environmental impact statement issued last June, which indicated reintroducing grizzlies to the Bitterroot ecosystem along Idaho's border with Montana was not expected to have any impact on existing land uses, including logging and mining.



Al Lance

ing on 33 million acres of national forests, including some acreage in all but one forest in Idaho.

"I've been deceived; I've been lied to," the attorney general said. "Which one of these federal agencies misled Idaho believe?"

Will grizzly bears impact land use or won't they?"

He wrote a letter to Chris Servien, the Fish and Wildlife Service's grizzly bear recovery coordinator in Missoula, Mont., detailing the apparent conflict. And he enlisted the help of Republican U.S. Reps. Michael Crapo and Helen Chenoweth, chairmen of the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, to investigate why the two Clinton administration agencies apparently are at odds.

In addition, Lance vowed that if he uncovers any deliberate attempt to mislead the people of Idaho, "I will take the appropriate legal action." He said his orders from Gov. Phil Batt on grizzly reintroduction were "take no prisoners, and that's precisely the attitude that we're taking."

Court says killer of grizzly is not entitled to jury trial

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Someone charged with killing a grizzly bear is not entitled to a jury trial, a federal appeals court ruled Friday.

Upholding an Oregon man's conviction for killing a grizzly in Montana, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the crime, punishable by six months in jail and a \$25,000 fine, is a "petty" offense for which no jury is required.

The court noted that the Supreme Court has not required a jury for crimes punishable by six months in jail, unless additional penalties show that the legislative body considered the crime to be serious.

Paul N. Clavette, from the Portland area, was convicted of killing a federally protected species, a grizzly found shot to death in September 1995 near a campsite southwest of Big Sky, Mont. He claimed the bear was endangering his wife, but U.S. District Judge Paul Hatfield found him guilty, fined him \$2,000 and ordered him to pay \$6,250 in restitution to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

In upholding his conviction, the appeals court said the Supreme

Court has required a jury trial for a crime punishable by six months in jail in only one case, when the defendant was fined \$50 million.

Congress has defined petty crimes as those punishable by up to six months and a \$5,000 fine, but courts have disregarded this limit. Two other appeals courts have denied juries when the maximum fine was \$10,000, and the court said Friday that a \$25,000 fine didn't reflect a clear congressional determination the crime was serious.

The court also said physical evidence and Clavette's inconsistent accounts about the threat posed by the bear entitled Hatfield to reject the defense claim. Judge Thomas Reavley, a visiting jurist from the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, wrote the 3-0 ruling.

Clavette's lawyer, Assistant Federal Defender Daniel Donovan, said courts should follow Congress' \$5,000 dividing line.

Without criticizing Hatfield, he said, six ordinary citizens on a jury might have been able to "better put themselves in the position of fear that Mr. Clavette felt."

Some push retaining rural partnership, cap off pay

BOISE (AP) — Advocates pressed legislative budget writers on Friday to retain the federally financed Idaho Rural Partnership, and to take the cap off the director's salary.

"A year ago, I said I would give the partnership a year to progress," Labor Department Director Roger Madsen told the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee. "The director has been very responsive to the needs of our agencies, the governor's office, other agencies."

The panel was created to bring government and private resources together to benefit rural Idaho economically and socially, and it appears to have worked.

"It sounds to me like you have turned it around," Republican Rep. Frances Field of Grand View said.

A year ago, after unwittingly voting to simply cede Madsen's jurisdiction over the IRP to the federal government, the budget committee decided to maintain state control of the agency.

It also slashed the salary of Director Richard Gardner from \$65,000 to \$50,000.

Critics claimed they had seen no benefit from any programs involving what was then called the Idaho Rural Development Council, the 1991 branch of former GOP Vice President Dan Quayle. They suggested that whatever the agency did do simply duplicated work being done by other government officials.

Trent Clark, the chairman of the partnership's board of directors at the time, acknowledged on Friday that he and others had failed to

make clear that the agency — with a mere \$169,000 budget — simply brings people with problems together with the government officials who can solve them.

He made a strong case for continuation of the partnership, pointing out the name change to better reflect its responsibility and the expansion of the board of directors from 18 to 26.

Clark, an executive at the former Monsanto Co. mine in south-eastern Idaho, also outlined the projects that Gardner engineered over the past year.



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Panel kills tax breaks for not using schools

BOISE (AP) — One of the most controversial issues to surface this session in the Idaho Legislature — giving \$1,500 tax credits to people who don't put their children in public schools — went down to defeat in a House committee on Friday.

It represented a rare loss this session for conservative religious organizations, which already have procured lawmakers into full-scale debate on abortion issues.

Concerned about the unknown cost of the proposal, the House Revenue and Taxation Committee refused to print legislation sponsored by Republican Rep. Mark Stubbs of Twin Falls and James Barrett of Challis.

It would have given parents a state income tax credit up to \$1,500 for each child home-schooled or in parochial or private school. Although there are an estimated 12,000 nonpublic students in Idaho, the tax credit would have applied to a far smaller group.

After the meeting, Stubbs said he would try again later with a bill calling for a credit of \$500 per child and limiting families to no more than \$1,500 per family per year. It also would have a clearer statement on the cost, he said.

The Stubbs-Barrett bill would have been limited to children entering the first grade next year and the tax credit could be no more than the parents' total state income tax bill. A tax official said that averaged \$1,300 per family in 1996.

But it appeared the proposal was rejected because its financial impact statement claimed it would cost the state nothing, or actually would generate more money to support public schools.

The measure said the state pays

Mark Stubbs Celia Gould

an average of \$4,065 per student in public schools. Since only \$1,500 would be paid in a tax credit, that meant \$2,565 more per student would be available, Stubbs and Barrett argued.

Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion, called that a flawed concept, and others on the committee said removing one child per class or a few per school would do nothing to lower the school's operating cost.

"If you pull one kid out of a classroom, you don't save \$4,065," he said.

"The concept is not the problem, the problem is the dollars," said Rep. Gordon Lindorf. "We need a clearer analysis on what the fiscal impact will be."

Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl, said teachers in her area were worried about the "yo-yo" problem of parents enrolling their children in public schools but removing them later for private or home-schooling.

Stubbs said the legislation prevents any student who used the public schools during a school year from being eligible for the credit.

Similar legislation last session was amended on the House floor to a credit of \$500 per child, but was sent back to the Revenue and Taxation panel and died there.

Republican moves to ask voters about term limits

BOISE (AP) — Faced with several conflicting bills on term limits, a House committee gave preliminary approval Friday to a proposal to pass the issue on to voters.

The State Affairs Committee approved a request from the Republican leadership to put an advisory question before voters in the November general election, asking whether they want to repeal the term limits law passed by initiative in 1994.

The result would be non-binding; subsequent action would be up to the Legislature.

"The question is worded so if you favor term limits you vote no and if you do not favor term limits you vote yes," said GOP Caucus Chairman John Tippetts of Benning.

Rep. Jeff Allturf, R-Hayden, voiced the only opposition and was alone in opposing introduction of the advisory question.

He noted that a survey, released Friday by Boise State University, showed less than 20 percent of those questioned favored getting rid of term limits. More than 61 percent said they wanted to keep term limits the same.

"The people twice have voted for term limits," Allturf said. "I really feel like the people have spoken."

Allturf said he felt the advisory ballot was "self-serving" for legis-

lators who want to repeal term limits that affect them personally.

Tippetts acknowledged it would be a "bad habit" for the Legislature to pass policy decisions on to the voters. But since the term limits law came from the voters, not the Legislature, it should go back to them for possible repeal.

Voters would be asked in the advisory vote if term limits should be repealed for all public officials. Existing term limits wouldn't apply to current officeholders until 2002 or 2004.

Shortly after Idaho approved term limits by a 265-118 to 210-448 vote in 1994, courts declared that they could not be applied to members of Congress. A 1996 vote produced a provision that anyone who did not support term limits would receive a special designation on the ballot, but it was quickly struck down by the courts.

Rep. Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, the GOP floor leader, told committee members the result would be a hedgepodge of laws if it were left up to local option whether term limits should be repealed.

After introducing Tippetts' resolution for an advisory vote, the panel approved introduction of a revised version of Allturf's bill allowing "opt out" votes on a local basis on term limits.

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—Phoenix Suns Coach Danny Ainge, noting that fans voted injured Penny Hardaway into the Eastern Conference All-Star starting lineup

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

College women’s basketball
Eastern Utah at CSI, 6 p.m.

College men’s basketball
Eastern Utah at CSI, 8 p.m.

Girls’ basketball

- A-1, Region III tournament
- Pocatello at Minion, 2 p.m.
- A-2, District 4 tournament at Wood River
- Game 2 (see box) 7:30 p.m.
- A-3 Southside championship at Murtaugh
- Rafi River vs. Hagerman, 7:30 p.m.

Boys’ basketball

- Twin Falls at Madison
- Buhl at Dodo Valley at Filer
- Gooding at Glenview Ferry
- Minion at Skyline
- Carey at Ketchum
- Shoshone at Dietrich
- Carnegie County at Richfield
- Kimberly at Wendell

High school wrestling

Buhl at Weber Invitational, 9 a.m.

Most regular season junior varsity basketball games begin at 6 p.m. with the evening following.

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IN BRIEF

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Tradition mixed with technology

Century’s final Winter Olympics begins

The Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan — Awash in color and sound, the 20th century’s final Winter Olympics opened Saturday with images of Japan’s past and the world’s future: a kimono-clad skater her lighting the flame for her nation, a parade of half-naked sumo wrestlers casting away evil spirits, and choirs on five continents performing Beethoven in stunning synchronicity.

It was as the Olympics are designed to be, a meeting of nation and nation, tradition and technology, history and modernity.

Against the backdrop of the magnificent Japanese Alps, athletes from 72 nations and regions marched into a cherry-blossom-shaped stadium built espe-

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cially for these games. Children sang of hope and peace. Jets zoomed across the afternoon sky, leaving colored streamers of smoke in their wake, ending the festivities and beginning the competition.

“The Olympics are finally here,” said Yukio Nakamura, 57, of Nagano, who rode his bicycle to the opening ceremonies. “We’ve waited so long for this.” Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko, her hands covered in white mittens, applauded heartily as more than 2,400 athletes — the most ever for a Winter Olympics — paraded past their box. The athletes will compete during the next two weeks in 14 sports in

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Some wrestlers perform during the opening ceremony of the XVIII Winter Olympics at Minami Nagano Sports Park Saturday in Nagano, Japan.

Lady Eagles fall in overtime

CSI men clobber Spartans

By Damen Clow
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Proving once again that nothing comes easy in the Scenic West Athletic Conference except angst, the Southern Idaho women’s basketball team rallied from 21 points down to take the lead in the final minute of play and send Friday’s game with Colorado Northwestern into overtime.

With 31 seconds left in the extra period, CSI drew up one last play at the bench, but Cecile Bates’ baseline shot missed its mark and the Spartans (9-13, 3-9) held on for a 69-67 victory, only their third conference win of the season. “We had a couple different options,” said CSI head coach Joel Bates of the final onslaught. “We had the option to go to Charlotte (Norman) inside, and they took that away from us, so we went with the outside shot.”

Sarah Nelson led CSI with 19 points, much of which came in the final minutes of the opening half to rally her team back into the game. Norman added 10 for the Golden Eagles. Kacey Bagley led all scorers with 22 points for CNCC. Former Valley Viking Tanya Romer added 14 and Heather Johnson had 12.

Southern Idaho (17-5, 8-3 in conference) scored the last 13 points of the first half and 11 of the first 15 in the second to trail 44-43 with 15 minutes left in the game. Still, the team could not turn the corner, and trailed by five with eight minutes left before Janie Ward’s 3-pointer cut the CNCC lead to 54-52. Norman put back an offensive rebound and Holly Harper hit a jumper from the free-throw line to give CSI its first lead of the game with 5:15 to play. Harper hit again from the same spot to break a tie two minutes later and Bates nailed a baseline two for a 60-56 CSI lead.

Romer scored the Spartans’ next six points before fouling out with the score tied at 62 and less than a minute left to play. Nelson gave CSI the lead with two free throws and Bagley tied it again with 34 seconds left. The Golden Eagles then fumbled the ball away in the final seconds of regulation.

“They outlasted us, they outboarded us, they kicked out rail in every part of the game,” Bates said. The visiting Spartans shot 6-of-9 from 3-point range in the first half, accounting for most of their lead. The teams took an equal number of shots in the first 20 minutes (31), but CNCC connected on 17 of them to CSI’s 10.

“We certainly didn’t come out to play early,” Bates said. “We made a gutsy

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Colorado Northwestern’s Tanya Romer fights for a rebound against CSI’s Sarah Nelson. Romer, who leads the conference in rebounds, scored 14 points before fouling out in Colorado’s 69-67 overtime victory. Romer was a star at Valley High School before moving on to college.

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Jerome moves into championship game with win over Buhl

By John Derr
Times-News writer

HAILEY — In a slow, methodic game, Jerome’s defense was the deciding factor as the Tigers moved into the championship game of the Class A-2, District 4 girls’ basketball tournament with a 41-37 victory over the Buhl Indians Friday. Buhl now has to play its third game in a row as its backup guard, Hailey, in a game where possessions sometimes lasted a minute, the teams held a tie at 29 heading into the final quarter. That’s when a pair of Tigers stepped into the game and took control.

After Erin Scott closed the Indians

within one, Cyria Warner got into the action for Jerome. The sophomore point guard, who hadn’t scored all game, made a steal and a layup and followed that with a jumper on the next possession to put the Tigers up by five with five minutes remaining.

“I told myself I’d shoot when it was my turn. My passing was good and I didn’t feel like I had to shoot,” Warner said. “We played together as a team. Our intensity was up the entire game.”

Carrie Williamson cut the lead to three with a running jumper and Leah Moore made it a two-point game with two minutes left as she hit on one of two free throws. But Buhl would get no closer.

Cynthia Bell nailed a jumper and Stephanie Bails and Warner each added free throws late as the Indians either had a turnover or missed shot on five of

their last six possessions.

Buhl’s only leads of the game came in the first quarter as Scott hit a pair of shots and Jennifer Bartosovsky nailed a 3-pointer, giving Buhl the 9-6 first-period lead.

In the second period, Sheri Bingham gave the Tigers the lead two minutes before halftime with a putback and Any Hest’ bucket inside gave the Tigers a 4-point half-time margin.

Jerome maintained its lead in the third quarter until Williamson drained a 3-pointer with four seconds to go, making it a new ballgame in the fourth.

Free throws could have made the difference for the Indians as Buhl connected on just 3 of 11 from the charity stripe, while Jerome hit 7 of 15.

“One of the keys to the game was that they were able to get the ball inside to their posts quickly before we could set

up our defense,” Buhl coach Joe Shepard said of the Tigers.

Jerome coach Michelle Skyles was pleased with her team’s defensive effort.

“Our defense did a good job. Offensively, we struggled. We were tentative and tight. I think we took too many shots and didn’t take our chances. We need to work hard and prepare the next game.”

Notes: Buhl turned the ball over 21 times compared to 14 for Jerome. Leah Moore, the Indians point guard, landed on her head in the third quarter. She returned later in the game but had a visible bruise on her head. Indian Erin Scott also had to leave the game limping. She also returned. This is the third Tiger-Indian meeting this season. Jerome led the series 2-1. The two teams could meet again Wednesday if Buhl defeats Wood River in the quarterfinals.

Buhl OT Williamson 4-20, Bartosovsky 4-20, Moore 5-12, Scott 4-14, Skyles 1-7, Hest 1-2, Bell 1-2, Bingham 1-2, Bails 1-2, Buhl 41-37. Jerome OT Warner 17-21, Nelson 11-15, Bagley 11-15, Romer 14-14, Johnson 12-14, Bates 1-2, Hest 1-2, Bingham 1-2, Bails 1-2, Buhl 69-67. Buhl 41-37.

Kite, Love share Buick lead in rain delay.

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The Spanish explorer Balboa clearly wasn't thinking about the PGA Tour's West Coast swing when he named the body of water off California the Pacific Ocean.

There has been nothing peaceful, calm or tranquil about the last two weeks on tour. The West Coast Swing is now the West Coast Swing. Just days after the Pebble Beach tournament was blown from February into August by El Niño, the second round of the Buick Invitational was washed out Friday when the greens at Torrey Pines became too wet to play.

Tom Kite, helped greatly in cold, windy rain by eye surgery that allows him to now play without glasses, was 9 under par through 29 holes, tied for the lead with Davis Love III, who had played 27 holes before play was suspended shortly after noon.

Steve Pate, Robert Damron and Jeff Sanday — playing in his first PGA Tour event — were at 8 under. Pate and Damron had played 28 holes and Sanday had completed 26.

Seven players, including Payne Stewart and Stewart Kirk, were at 7 under. Tiger Woods, who played the day nine strokes back, got to 4 under through 30 holes to pull within five of the leaders.

Fuzzy Zoeller, who started the day one stroke off the lead at 9 under, was 4 over par in the 12th hole he played in Friday's mess and was 5 under through 30 holes.

The second round will be resumed at 9 a.m. PST Sunday, then the cut will be made and the third round played. What's not clear, however, is if the storm will set up calm and steady winds, or if it will be a series of rain squalls, few days like it did at Pebble Beach.

"Kite was perhaps the only player to find a silver lining in the rain," Kite said.

"I've got a whole different perspective on playing in the rain now," Kite said about the surgery that corrected his eyesight. "These days used to wipe me out."

Kite had the operation two weeks ago "and when I woke up, I had better than 20-20 eyesight," he said.

Jim Albuz took lead in seniors LG Championship

NAPLES, Fla. — Jim Albuz shot a 5-under-par 67 Friday to take the first-round lead in Senior PGA Tour's LG Championship.

Tour rookie David Lundstrom birdied two of his final three holes to finish one stroke back at 68. Gil Morgan was third at 69,



Jeff Sanday of South Pasadena, Calif., watches his approach shot on the fifth fairway of the south course at Torrey Pines during the second round of the Buick Invitational Friday in San Diego.

with Hale Irvin, Bob Murphy, Tom Wargo, Al Geiberger and Bob Eastwood tied at 70.

"That was the first good one in a while," Albuz said. "It felt great. I hit the ball hard and putted good, too. And it added up to a good score for a change."

Albuz, 57, won five times in his first five years on the Senior Tour.

But in 1996, playing in pain, he dropped out of the top 50 money-winners. Off-season

Marshall and James Mullahan scored all the points in a 13-0 run as CSI took a 29-12 lead with 10 minutes to play in the half.

The Golden Eagles added another 10-point run to lead by 20, 43-23 with 4:30 to play.

The 12-point halftime lead was a cry from the one-point advantage they held at the break Jan. 10 in Rangely.

The Spartans led just once, when Cox's 3-point game for the team a 5-2 lead just two minutes

Pro golf surgery on a blocked nerve in his neck fixed the problem, but his form never returned.

Albus managed to play in 26 events last year, but for the second straight season failed to break into the top 50 money-winners.

David Frost takes South African Open lead

DURBAN, South Africa — David Frost of South Africa shot a 6-under-par 66 Friday to move from seventh place to the lead after two rounds of the South African Open.

Frost reeled off four birdies on the front nine and three more on the back nine. He is at 134.

Countryman Ernie Els, who shot 64 on Thursday, had a par-7 Friday and is two shots back at 136.

He holds two South African titles. Australian Greg Clowers was third with 137 at the halfway mark of the tournament.

Olazabal leads Greg Norman International

SYDNEY, Australia — Greg Norman was upset by questions about his friendship with President Clinton on Friday, and the Australian's game suffered in the second round of the Greg Norman International.

Norman shot a 73 to drop seven shots behind leader Jose Maria Olazabal at 141.

Olazabal had his second straight 5-under-par 67 for 134 and a one-stroke lead over American John Cook, who had a 66.

Norman was asked about reports that independent counsel Kenneth Starr had subpoenaed television footage of Clinton's golfing.

During the visit to Norman's home, Clinton stumbled down stairs and injured a knee.

Slain boxer 'ran the streets like a rat'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two days before he was found dead and slain in the lobby of a hospital, promising young middleweight Rueben Bell told his manager he had started doing his best to stay out of trouble. By then, it was too late.

There already were too many enemies in the life of the 24-year-old fighter, whose 13-2 record and projected rise to national recognition was overwhelmed by a troubled life that included numerous arrests and 19 months in jail while awaiting trial for a first-degree murder charge.

"He had been cleaning up his act," Bell's manager, Barry Linde, said. "He had a nice family, kids

he loved. But he told me he needed to go away where he could concentrate on boxing without being on the street... It's one thing to change what you do; it's another thing to change the whole cast of characters (around you)."

Increasingly wary of the streets, Bell had planned to take his Golden Gloves fight to Lancaster, Pa., to train with other fighters, but the trip was postponed when he was diagnosed with stomach cancer.

He had started chemotherapy treatments and was awaiting surgery to have the growth removed with the hope of making the trip this summer.

Women

Continued from B6 effort to hold them at the half. It just wonder where we were at first."

Both teams found the inside game to their advantage in the early going, and the Spartans held an 8-5 advantage before Genny Poll connected on the first 3-point attempt for either team, giving CNCC a six-point lead five minutes into the contest.

Courtney Leybold entered the game and immediately connected on CSI's first 3-point attempt as the Eagles pulled to within one. Then the Spartan duo of Bagley and Rachel Nielson scored all their team's points in a 16-2 run that put CNCC up, 27-12 with eight minutes left in the half.

"Every time we get lazy and don't get rebounds, teams do well against us," Bate said. "We're going to have to get tougher inside, and I don't know how."

Another Spartan scoring stint, including two of Bagley's first-half treys, gave CNCC its biggest lead of the night, 40-19

with 4:30 left to play. With three minutes left in the half, Poll came down hard on her arm and left the game.

Golden Eagles took advantage, scoring the final 13 points of the half and keeping their guests scoreless over the final four and a half minutes. Nielson scored 10 of her 14 first-half points in the final four minutes, helping CSI keep the halftime deficit to 40-32.

"We just started executing and playing smarter defense," Bate said. "Give Colorado credit — they outlasted us to get a half."

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Olympic

Continued from B6 Nagano and the mountains that encircle it. Some nations, like the United States, have dozens of athletes; others like Iran and Belgium have only one.

They strode into the Minami Nagano Sports park triumphant, each group led by an athlete carrying its national flag, each nation escorted by a Japanese sumo champion and a child from Nagano area. Greece, the birthplace of the games, marched first, host country Japan was last.

The 50,000-strong crowd's applause rose when the U.S. team entered in, wearing long, slate-blue parkas and dark brimmed hats — a good buffer for the 34-degree weather. Some of them wore tiny American flags in

buttonholes and handbags. "It's just so exciting," figure skater Tara Lipinski said, smiling. "I hope I can remember it forever."

The Olympic flame, rising from a cauldron designed to resemble a traditional Japanese bonfire, was kindled by Japanese figure skater Midori Ito to the strains of "Un bel di" from Puccini's "Madame Butterfly." Relay runs followed, with athletes running the stadium and up the steps to lift before an automatic platform lifted her to ignite the cauldron.

Technology's leap to the 20th century shows as it showcased a work composed before electricity was harnessed — "Ode to Joy" from the Ninth Symphony by Ludwig van Beethoven.

Men

Continued from B6 Marshall held conference leading scorer Steve Bente to nine points on 3-0-15 shooting.

"That's about six or seven games in a row he has done a 3-0-15," Thrush said.

Moblie, Ala. freshman's defense. "He holds the conference's leading scorer to nine points and gets 21 points himself and still has these are pretty good numbers."

CSI shot 56 percent from the field in the first half, with Joe Marshall and Greg McQuay scor-

ing 13 points apiece and Adrian McCullough and James Stokes pitching in nine each.

The Spartans (5-16, 1-11), shooting just 43 percent from the field to start the game, looked to Cox in the first 20 minutes. Cox, who averages 16 points per game, shot 8-of-10 from the field for 20 of his team's 36 points in the opening period alone.

Stokes led CSI out of the gate, scoring six of the team's first eight points before collecting his third foul early and spending most of

the first period on the bench.

Marshall and James Mullahan scored all the points in a 13-0 run as CSI took a 29-12 lead with 10 minutes to play in the half.

The Golden Eagles added another 10-point run to lead by 20, 43-23 with 4:30 to play.

The 12-point halftime lead was a cry from the one-point advantage they held at the break Jan. 10 in Rangely.

The Spartans led just once, when Cox's 3-point game for the team a 5-2 lead just two minutes

into the match. Stokes' run put CSI into the lead a minute late.

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Injury almost derails German figure skating pair's Olympic bid again

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — Ingo Steuer was standing on a street in his hometown in Germany three months ago when the side mirror of a passing car clipped his right forearm.

It didn't seem like a big deal at the time. A little pain. Nothing like some of the other injuries he'd had. But the pain surged with a vengeance the next day. His arm throbbled so badly he was sure his partner Mandy Woetzel's bid for an Olympic pairs figure skating medal was over, ruined by a fluke injury.

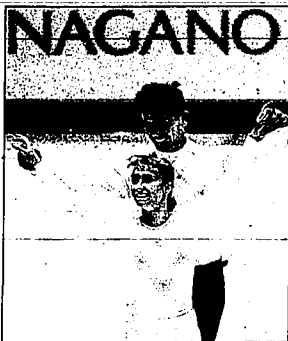
Again.

"It was a nightmare, just like four years ago when we couldn't finish," Steuer said Friday, two days before the pairs competition begins with the short program. "No results. No Olympics."

He follows the words with a groan of frustration, shaking his head. For as much success as the reigning world champions have had, they've been cursed with just as many injuries.

Four years ago at Lillehammer, Woetzel tripped on a rut during the free skate and fell on her chin. With blood gushing from the cut, she was carried off the ice by Steuer. They couldn't finish and were forced to withdraw, and Woetzel needed several stitches. She still has a small scar on her chin.

"We don't think about it. It's over," she said. "It was not a big thing. It was just a little accident. It could happen to anybody, so I



German figure skaters Mandy Woetzel and Ingo Steuer practices at White Ring Arena Wednesday in Nagano, Japan. After a frank accident three months ago, the pair thought that their bid for an Olympic medal was frustrated.

don't think about it."

They can't help but think about this latest injury, which forced them to drop out of the German and European championships. They competed at the Champions Series final, finishing second to Yelena Berezhnaya and Anton Sikharulidze of Russia, but Steuer's arm hurt so badly he had to be taken to the hospital. Tests showed torn ligaments in his right shoulder.

The couple was out of training until 10 days ago. Woetzel could skate, but Steuer couldn't do anything but go to physical therapy. "I was never thinking we'd miss the Olympics," she said. "I was always hoping he'd get fit."

Despite missing so much training, Woetzel and Steuer said they are ready for the Olympics. "We are sure we can win a medal," he said. "There's a little bit of pain, but that's normal."

Men's downhill heads 1st full day of Olympic events

HAKUBA, Japan (AP) — From the finish line, they look like tiny specks poised at the top of the mountain, distant dots in the snow. Then, one by one, they come hurtling down the hill at speeds exceeding 70 mph, racing a clock that measures them in hundredths of a second.

They get one chance, one run and the race is done. Maybe that's the attraction of the men's downhill, one of the glamour events of the Olympics and the first major competition at these games. The race, set for Sunday

morning in Japan, will be covered live by CBS-TV on Saturday night.

Also on the schedule for the first full day are women's cross country skiing, freestyle skiing, and the men's giant slalom in snowboarding. In preliminary round men's hockey, Italy played Kazakhstan, Germany faced Japan, Austria took on Slovakia, and France played Belarus. Sweden played Finland in women's hockey.

The picture postcard mountains of Hakuba stand in stark contrast

to downtown Nagano, where snow is tough to find. There is plenty of it on the mountain, though, enough for snow and ice sculptures to have been constructed at the entrance to the ski area. Workers, equipped with brooms, busily brushed snow from the rooftops, a task only slightly less dangerous than the one facing the downhill skiers.

As the skiers pop over the slope at the top of the hill, they negotiate the jumps and turns, looking like Indy 500 drivers without the race car around them.

Nagano: Land of vending machines

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — Convenience stores, coffee shops, bars — who needs 'em? Not the Japanese, whose deep devotion to the vending machine has turned street corners into mini-malls throughout this Olympic host city.

For a fistful of yen, sidewalk shoppers have a wide variety of choices: batteries, beer, cigarettes, coffee, whiskey, cigarettes, sake, cup of noodles, gum, cigarettes, tea, yogurt, chocolate milk, cigarettes, film, soda and — of course — more cigarettes.

These are more than mere products; they are invitations to a better world. "This whiskey," promises the label on a small bottle of Light and Smooth, priced to move at 1,000 yen, "can create your new life style."

Or try some of Dy Do's beverages, and "drink paradise." Maybe grab a cup of Georgia's finest, and enjoy a curbside "coffee moment." In Nagano, where the bicycles seem to outnumber the cars, happiness is just a kickstand away.

Saturday's Olympic TV schedule

- 2-4 p.m. — (CBS) Men's downhill and women's ice hockey previews.
- 4-6 p.m. — (CNN) Preview: alpine skiing, figure skating, skiing, snowboarding, hockey, luge, speedskating, nordic skiing.
- 6-9 p.m. — (CBS) Men's downhill, freestyle and cross-country skiing.

Nagano's vending machines are ubiquitous — built into walls, grafted to sidewalks, stuck outside vacant buildings. The sturdy metal dispensers appear without rhyme or reason, cropping up anywhere from the Zenko-ji temple to a train station, from a sidewalk to a cemetery.

They seem to breed; rarely does one stand alone where a half-dozen can mingle.

Twin cigarette machines sprout in the middle of one block in a residential neighborhood. Down the steps from a serene temple near the press village, a half-

dozen machines offer an assortment of secular delights — beers named Drafty, Yebisu, Super Star and Hop's, whiskey from Robert Brown Jr.

For about \$8, beer drinkers can press a button for the Sapporo Giant — a jug-sized container of brew that looks like it originated at a Tennessee backwoods still.

Two machines down, actor Charlie Sheen smiles from a cigarette machine, urging folks to give into their yen for a smoke.

The imposing machines are bigger than the typical Japanese compact car, wider than the tires on an American 18-wheeler. They aim to please: hot and cold drinks, with or without cream, ice or ice-free, with sugar or just black.

Japan's vending industry is distinguished not only by its omnipresence, but by its variety. In a single machine, there were five selections of Georgia coffee: Emerald Mountain, Ipanema, Tasty, Mount Kilimanjaro and French Cafe. It ain't Starbuck's, but it ain't bad.

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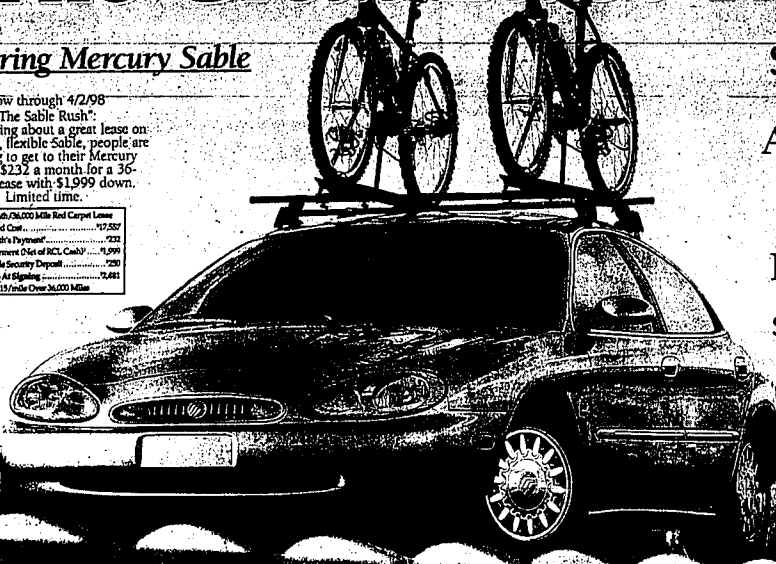
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Knoblauch, Leiter head to New York

In a busy trading day for both New York teams, the Yankees finally got All-Star second baseman Chuck Knoblauch from the Minnesota Twins while the Mets acquired pitcher Al Leiter from the Florida Marlins on Friday.

The Marlins have now shed 12 players from their 25-man team that won the World Series. Florida got three minor leaguers for Leiter and infield-

er Ralph Millard.

"It's unfortunate that so soon after winning the championship that they had to disassemble it," Leiter said. "It's just a real negative situation."

The Twins' trade of Knoblauch leaves only one player from the Minnesota team that won the 1991 World Series - pitcher Rick Aguilera.

Knoblauch, 29, hit .291 last season with 117 runs, a career-high 62 steals, 10 triples, nine homers and 58 RBIs. He also

won his first Gold Glove award. He has a .304 average in seven major league seasons, with 713 runs and 276 steals.

"It's going to be a big help to us to get a solid outfielder and a guy that controls the infield real well at second base," Yankees outfielder Darryl Strawberry said after working out Friday at Tampa, Fla. "He does so many things. He's a very versatile player. To get him to the ballclub is going to be a big plus for us."

Minnesota gets \$3 million of Yankees owner George Steinbrenner's money and four minor league prospects: pitchers Eric Milton and Danny Mott, outfielder Brian Buchanan and shortstop Cristobal Gurmán.

"Until you see what these kids do you aren't going to be able to evaluate this trade," Twins general manager Terry Ryan said. "It might be five years, it might be three years. We do know what we traded."

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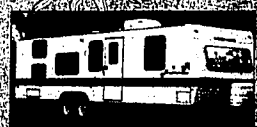
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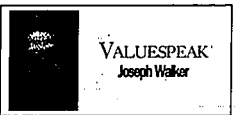
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Section C

You can decide to be nappy

It was one of those conversations parents sometimes have with their teenage daughters. You start out talking about boys and you end up talking about head lice — and you have no idea how you got from one subject to the other. But this time, somewhere in between "they're so cute" and "they're so gross" (Leonardo DiCaprio and Tom Cruise were the former and the lice were the latter — at least I think that's how it went), Andrea said something almost startling in its simple significance.

First, however, some back-story: last week was a tough one at our house. Not as tough as it was for the Clintons, but tough nonetheless. For a variety of reasons that I won't go into here — don't want to bore you, don't want to re-live it, don't want to see it on "Nightline" — there was a lot of angst and pressure. And Andrea was right in the middle of it — not as protagonist, but as a supporting player. It was her job to hold things together with her little brother and sister while her mother and I wrestled with you know, stuff. At the same time, Andrea had just started working at a local fast food establishment, and she put in 32 long, late hours during that week.



VALUESPEAK
Joseph Walker

She was drained — physically and emotionally — and was sitting at the family table, buoyant 16-year-old said silently as I drove her to school. This is usually "showtime," when she entertains me with an assortment of voices and accents, like she's warming up a day onstage at the improvisational comedy club that is high school. Her uncharacteristic pensiveness worried me, so when I went back to pick her up that afternoon, I was prepared to teach her about coping with life.

Instead, she taught me. "Hi Daddy!" she said as she bounded into the car, a study in unbridled, blond enthusiasm. "Uh, hi," I said, studying her for tell-tale signs of dementia. "How was your day?"

"It was g-r-e-eat!" she proclaimed in a thick Scottish brogue, playfully emphasizing the rolled R. "It was huge! It was ... gargantuan!"

I looked at her carefully. "Who are you, and what have you done with my daughter?"

She giggled. It was wonderful to see that smile back on her face and that sparkle back in her eyes. She chattered happily about her day — about her pregnant Spanish teacher who had to leave the room with morning sickness; about an acting exercise in which they had participated during drama class; about an embarrassing comment she made in a social studies class. When she finally paused long enough for me to squeeze in a word, I seized the opportunity to ask her, "So what happened?"

"I just told you," she said. "My Spanish teacher had morning sickness and she had to ..."

"No, no, I don't mean what happened," I said. "I mean ... what happened? This morning you were so sad, and now you're so ... so ..."

"Me?"

"Yeah, what happened?"

"Nothing, really," she said, shrugging her shoulders. "I decided to be happy."

"That's it?" I asked. "You just ... decided to be happy, and you were?"

"Sure," she said. "I can't change the things that were making me unhappy, but I can change me. So I did. I'm still concerned about stuff, but that doesn't mean that I can't be happy, does it?"

Of course not. We can't control the vicissitudes of our lives. They ebb and flow like the tide, heedless of our efforts to harness them. The one thing we can control is how we choose to respond to those vicissitudes, and how we can find peace and happiness in life as it is — right now. Said the New Testament writer Paul, we have learned in what we ever state I am, therewith to be content."

Even if you have to decide to be content.

Joseph Walker is a free-lance writer.

Playing the field of faith

Football player Jason Buck says he never lost hope

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The word is determination.

Even though Jason Buck began planning his football career in grade school, he didn't receive a football scholarship when he finished high school. So he walked on at Ricks College in Rexburg and made the team anyway — but then he had to drop out of school because he ran out of tuition money.

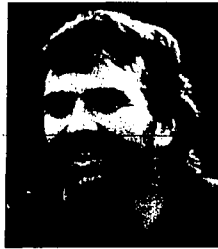
He worked in a grain mill for \$3.60 an hour until he had enough money to return to college. Along the way, he lost his older brother in a car accident and his parents eventually divorced.

And Jason Buck went on to play football for Brigham Young University and then for the Cincinnati Bengals and the Washington Redskins. An Outland Trophy winner, he played in Super Bowl XXIII and Super Bowl XXVII.

"I never gave up," he said in a phone interview from his Mantle, Utah, home last week. "I never stopped believing for a second that I would accomplish my goal."

The word is determination.

In talking about his life, Buck uses the word determination a lot, and he attributes his determination to his religious



Jason Buck
He's keeping the faith

faith. It is a faith, he said, that gave him the strength to believe in himself even when others didn't.

That's why Buck's teen-age nephews, Jim and Bill Woods, decided their uncle would be the perfect speaker for the Boy Scout-sponsored fireside at their church in Twin Falls.

Buck, from a family of eight, was raised in a strong Mormon home. He was born in Moses Lake, Wash., spent his early childhood in Michigan and moved to the Boise valley when he was 10.

Life never seemed to get any easier. Buck's father lost his farm, plunging the family into poverty. At school, Buck was teased for being the only Mormon.

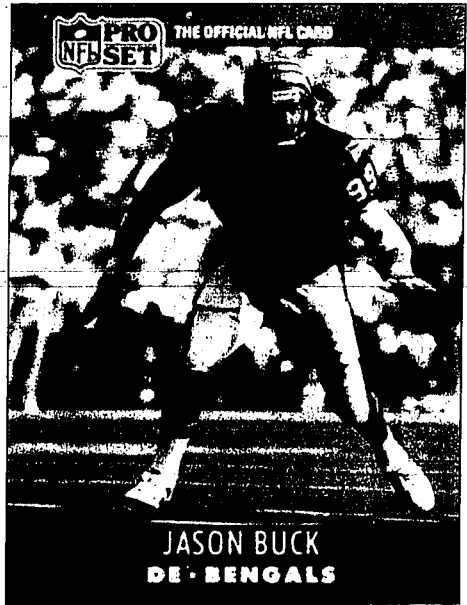
"They were lonely years," Buck said of his childhood. "I had few friends, and I was the center of all the jokes."

Some of the kids at school went out to party, but Buck held tight to his religious values and stayed home.

"If you compromise your religious standards," he said, "you also compromise your dreams."

And dreams were something Buck had plenty of.

Sitting in those little country schools, Buck dared to dream of playing pro football.



JASON BUCK
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Jason Buck played football with the Cincinnati Bengals from 1987 to 1990.

He's 34 now, four years into his retirement from the game, and looking back on his glory days with the Bengals and

Redskins. It all happened according to plan.

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Religious leaders look to Cuba after papal visit

By David Briggs
The Associated Press

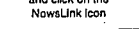
HAVANA — When Pope John Paul II came to town, the Rev. Hector Mendez switched Sunday services to the afternoon so members of the oldest Protestant temple in Havana could attend the pontiff's Mass on the Plaza of the Revolution.



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tholics. And, for one week, as the pope shined a religious light on Catholicism in this isolated island nation, old ecumenical acquaintances were not forgotten.

Similar to Catholic leaders in the United States embracing Billy Graham revivals, many Protestant leaders here welcomed the pope. They hoped when the papal trip would not only boost the ecumenical movement in Cuba, but also would help them in their own evangelization efforts.

"I believe that when the Christian feeling is awakened, we all benefit, even those who are not believers," Mendez said.

Before Fidel Castro's 1959 revolution, Cuba was overwhelmingly Catholic. But today only about 40 percent of Cubans are baptized Catholics, and as few as 2



Cubans pray at La Intensa Baptist Church on Jan. 7, in Havana. Protestant leaders in Cuba say the Jan. 22-25 visit of Pope John Paul II has boosted their evangelical efforts in the communist east.

percent may attend Mass regularly. An estimated 2 percent of the population is Protestant.

Official figures do not exist, but

University of Havana religion expert Enrique Lopez Oliva estimates 650 Catholic churches and 900 Protestant churches in Cuba. In addition, he said,

homes across the island are regularly used for worship, 2,500 for Protestants

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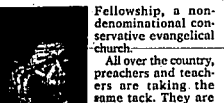
Preachers, teachers warn of a rush to judgment

By Mary Otto
Knight-Ridder News Service

At adult Sunday school in Richardson, Texas, Associate Pastor Darrell Book was leading a conversation on the Book of Amos when somebody brought up the president's troubles.

And the discussion of the prophet's warnings to the ancient Israelites turned into a vigorous debate over the rumors of deceit, betrayal, venality and lust whirling around the White House.

"You have to be careful not to judge before we know the facts," Book cautioned his flock, members of Trinity



Bill Clinton

Fellowship, a non-denominational conservative evangelical church.

All over the country, preachers and teachers are taking the same tack. They are urging their congregations and classes not to rush to judgment,

while trying to draw lessons from the chaos surrounding the allegations that President Clinton had an affair with a White House intern and urged her to lie about it.

Many stress the importance of dis-

cussion and prayer in a time of such collective uncertainty.

At Atlanta's Emory University, Professor Teresa Fry-Brown, an expert in black churches and preaching, said she plans to speak on the president's troubles when she addresses a future gathering of church leaders and pastoral counselors. In her pastoral counseling,

Fry-Brown said, the doings in Washington have become the focus of discussions about men and women.

The subplots of the president's problems are causing people to talk about their own marriages, office relationships, mislaid trusts and friendships, or as Fry-Brown put it: "how we are pre-

sented with each other, how we relate to each other, manipulate and use each other, how much money will buy."

Amid the competing claims of marital disloyalty, entrapment and conspiracy, the tale raises enough questions about justice, fidelity and honesty to keep a class of seminarians busy for a semester, acknowledged James Nelson, a writer and professor of Christian ethics now retired from United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, in New Brighton, Minn.

On another ethical scale, he worries that the microscopic dissection of a president may not serve the greatest good, "justice in the larger scheme of things."

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RELIGION

Sports venture uses athletes to push character message

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Robin Blackley was living a high New York life.

He worked for the company that managed the professional tennis circuit, traveled the world and socialized with Jimmy Connors and Bjorn Borg.

"I'd go to lavish parties on Saturday nights, and on Sundays I'd jump on the subway and run up to church so I could call my mother and at least tell her I went," Blackley remembered.

But later he decided he was wrong. He gave up a glamorous office and big salary to start a small Dallas company with three partners whose goal is to use the popularity of professional sports as a tool to promote values — with a gritty, secular twist.

"We don't want the outside world to view us as a Christian organization," said Steve Riach, executive producer and creative director of VisionQuest Communications Group Inc. "We want them to see us as a competitive mainstream organization. We'll always come from a biblical perspective, from a standard of truth. But we have to be wise about it."

VisionQuest is producing television programs and videos with the likes of ESPN and NFL Films, starting a magazine and a radio program, creating sports merchandise and building an Internet site, all using professional athletes to promote feel-good themes of teamwork,

discipline, loyalty and honor.

The three men who make up

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— Steve Riach, executive producer and creative director of VisionQuest

VisionQuest are troubled by the stories that come from the sports world — salary issues, paternity suits, drug arrests and

bizarre behavior. At the same time, youth continue to idolize sports figures, even when the athletes show no real character.

"I think there's evidence there's an audience out there that wants good stories, that wants to see the best of people rather than the worst," said Bob Briner, former president of ProServ Television and former general manager of the Dallas Cowboys football team, who has signed on as a board member and adviser to the new venture.

The 18-month-old company has already met with success. The Saturday before the Super Bowl, a half-hour pro-

gram that the partners produced was broadcast on ESPN. The program showed the Bart Starr Award, given each year the NFL player voted to have the most integrity.

VisionQuest also signed a deal this month to republish the Chip Hilton books, whose main character, a sports hero, for decades appealed to young boys in the same way that Nancy Drew books appealed to girls. Last week the company started daily two-minute, nationally syndicated radio spots featuring sports stars such as pro golfer Betty King and San Antonio Spurs center David Robinson.

Also in the works is a magazine called Heart of a Champion, which they hope will become a sort of wholesome People magazine of sports.

Mormon official defends faith against 'non-Christian' label

PROVO, Utah (AP) — A high-ranking Mormon church official has struck out at religious critics who claim the American-born faith departs from fundamental Christian doctrine.

Boyd K. Packer, acting president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, said Sunday night that Mormons "need not justify what we believe, only to teach, to explain. Others can accept or reject as they please. They have their agency."

His remarks, made during a "fireside" address at Brigham Young University's Marriott Center before 15,000 students, were among the strongest statements in recent memory affirming the church's Christianity.

The speech was beamed live via the church's satellite system to gatherings throughout North America and the Caribbean.



For more on the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, visit The Times-News Online's NewsLink page at

http://www.magiclevalley.com and click on the NewsLink icon

The 10 million-member Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has long been criticized by some mainline Christian denominations for its inclusion of the Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants and Pearl of Great Price in the scriptural canon, along with the Bible.

The faith's beliefs in baptism

for the dead and the potential human "exaltation" to godhood also have placed it at odds with fundamentalist Christian doctrine.

Among denominations questioning the Mormon church's doctrinal bonifides has been the Southern Baptist Convention, which plans to hold its annual conference in Salt Lake City this summer. The Southern Baptists have produced a video, "The Mormon Puzzle," that outlines differences between Mormon and Protestant theology.

"I find it difficult to respond without saying that such individuals are uninformed and unfair and not consistent with the Christian spirit of brotherhood," Packer said. "But confrontation is not the way to reason through a challenge such as this."

Sunday at the 14th Ward chapel on Caswell West.

He graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1957 and was a four-year letterman in swimming and a founding member of his high school rock climbing club. He is an Eagle Scout and a member of the Boy Scouts of America.

BURLEY — Elder Matthew L. Monroe, son of Lloyd and Julia Monroe, recently returned from serving a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the California Riverside Mission. He will report on his mission meeting at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the Springdale 2nd Ward, 475 E. 200 S.

Monroe plans to continue his education at Ricks College.

The Times-News welcomes news of church missionaries, which is published free of charge. Send information to Ellen Thompson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83402, or Joey Bryant, The Times-News, Burley Bureau, 325 1/2 E. Fifth St. N., Burley, Idaho 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

Ex-minister fights gambling

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — The Rev. Tom Grey is in his element, working the room as a federal panel examining the spread of legalized gambling hears testimony.

Wearing a "Casino" button on the lapel of his blue blazer, he huddles with compulsive gambling expert Arnie Wexler to compare notes.

He rushes to the side of Scott Schuster, a casino worker who just complained to the panel about casino labor practices. He sits for one-on-one interviews with reporters in town to cover the National Gambling Impact Study Commission's two-day visit to the East Coast gambling mecca.

Grey, a retired Methodist minister and former U.S. Army infantryman, has combined battlefield strategy and religious fervor to become America's foremost anti-gambling crusader.

Cris-crossing the nation to beat back pro-gambling initiatives in local communities, he has fashioned a reputation as a modern-day David fighting the Goliath of gambling.

This is The Gospel According to Grey: Casinos have failed as economic development tools and are instead driving Americans to bankruptcy, suicide and divorce. And government-approved casino gambling and promoting their own state-run lotteries, share in the blame.

Grey, 57, of Hanover, Ill., is executive director of the National Coalition Against Gambling Expansion, a grassroots organization with a budget of \$500,000.

He heard the call six years ago, when a casino was proposed for



his hometown. Outmanned and underfunded, he has helped defeat gambling initiatives in 20 states.

In January, Grey's crusade brought him to Atlantic City, the faded seaside tourist town that resorted to casino gambling in 1978 in a bid to remake itself. While state and local leaders lauded the economic impact — more than 40,000 jobs, billions of dollars in tax revenue, aid to seniors and the disabled — Grey was not impressed.

Grey's been reborn on the backs of people losing money. They say \$50 billion has gone through here. I don't see \$50

billion in the community," he said.

After listening to experts tell the federal commission about the social impacts of casino gambling — suicides, divorce and bankruptcies by distraught betters — he laughs off the suggestion that the casino companies will work to help them. "It is the compulsive gamblers losing that is their main revenue source."

A thorn in the casino industry's side, he has nonetheless earned some respect.

"He's a personable individual, but he should get another speech," said MGM Grand Inc. chairman J. Mervyn Lasker.

TV HIGHLIGHTS

The Dallas Morning News

TODAY

• "Mysteries of the Bible": Angels in the Scriptures. (5 p.m., A&E)

SUNDAY

• "Mysteries of the Bible": An investigation into ancient events includes footage of Holy Land ruins, artifacts and bibl-

cal sites. (Part 2 of 2) (2 p.m., A&E)

• "Jewish Chronicles": Photographs inside the Warsaw Ghetto; International Conference of Women. (2 p.m., Odyssey)

• "Great Preachers": The Rev. James Forbes, senior minister of New York City's Riverside Church, is featured. (3:30 p.m., Odyssey)

• "Quiet Triumphs": Actress JoMarney Payton Noble ("Family Man") tells of her struggles with poverty, racism and homelessness. Host: Mary Alice Williams. (7:30 p.m., Odyssey)

• "Ancient Secrets of the Bible": The shroud of Turin may be the burial cloth of Jesus. (7:30 p.m., Odyssey)

CHURCH NEWS

Ministry teams meet at 7 p.m. Saturdays at Sodbuster's.

For information on the Feb. 14 meeting, call Tom at 324-4685 or Brad at 324-0658. For information on the retreat, call Helen at 324-8526.

Edmunds to speak in LDS lecture series

WENDELL — The Know Your Religion Lecture Series sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has planned a lecture for 7:30 p.m. Feb. 14 at the Wendell LDS Stake Center, 605 N. Idaho.

Mary Ellen Edmunds will discuss "The Great Plan of Happiness," the importance of helping each other live the gospel principles, become self-reliant and share.

Admission is \$4 at the door. Season tickets purchased last fall are good at any Idaho area program. LDS church standard dress is expected. Those attending are encouraged to bring their scriptures and are reminded that no tape recordings are allowed.

Church plans several programs.

TWIN FALLS — Valley Christian Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E., is announcing several upcoming studies.

A "Life After Loss Grief Support and Seminar Group," open to the public, will meet on Monday evenings from 7 to 8 p.m. Feb. 9 through March 30 in the 4-plex

room. Topics will include stages and types of grief, maintaining personal health and well-being, humor in healing and supporting children and youth in grieving. Pastor O. I. Crickert Harrison will facilitate. Materials cost \$3. Child care will be provided upon request.

A Thursday Bible study, open to the public and led by Harrison, will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. each Thursday in the fireside room. The current topic is the "Gospel According to Mark." Child care is provided. Advance reservations are appreciated.

"Christians Under Construction," a class for new Christians and persons seeking to become Christians, led by Harrison, will meet from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. each Sunday in the 4-plex room. Topics are organized into four-to-10-week classes, with "Bible Basics" running through April 5.

For more information about these programs, call 733-3222.

Rupert stake plans singles fireside

RUPERT — A fireside for single adults will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Rupert West Stake, 100 W. 36 S.

Buck

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Now Buck has the memory, of Super Bowl XXIII, in 1989 in Miami, which he termed a high life of his life.

was starting right end for the Bears. We lost with 30 seconds left. (San Francisco 49ers quarterback Joe Montana was about to make the final drive.)

Final score: San Francisco 20, Cincinnati 16. Buck's team lost that game, but Buck had already lived his dream.

Today, he shares his experiences with various groups, mostly for charity. He may soon give, with a speakers' bureau and do more motivational speaking. He knows there is a need.

There are quite a few Christians in pro football. Buck said, but "partying is definitely a

Cuba

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and 500 for Catholics. Before the revolution, as a growing minority, Protestants churches did not have good relations with Catholic churches.

During the uncertainty of the early days of the revolution, relations were especially tense, Mendez said.

But relations improved greatly in the 1970s. The Second Vatican Council encouraged Catholics to

problem in the NFL (National Football League) — and some claim to be Christians who still don't have morals.

"I think the NFL is better than most sports for a family man."

"During the season, we would have games one day a week and the rest of the week it was an 8-to-5 job," he said.

Injuries were a concern, of course, although Buck sustained nothing worse than separated shoulders and dislocated elbows. He was 6 foot 6 inches tall, 275 pounds, a lineman.

"When asked if he stays in the same shape today, he said, 'I wish.'"

But he does work out on his farm — 650 acres of beef cattle, grain and alfalfa. And he plays football with his kids.

engage in ecumenical dialogue, and Protestantism was influenced by new theological concepts that Mendez said, "made us see the church as Christ's body."

These relationships grew cold over time, Mendez said.

Now, with the papal visit, both sides have tried to renew the sense of a common struggle for religious freedom in Cuba. The country was officially atheist until 1991 and still places strict

limits on religious publications, new churches and outdoor worship.

And there still are tensions. Some conservative Protestant groups openly criticize Catholic teachings. Catholic leaders fret that fundamentalist groups will proselytize their members and that some Protestant churches may be allied too closely with government, effectively limiting other religious groups from gaining greater freedoms.

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Wife Roxi, who wasn't raised on a farm, prefers to work inside the home; but Buck's father is in the process of moving to Utah to work with his son on the farm.

That was another goal, Buck explained: "I told myself I would go play football and then I farm with his son on the farm."

The Buck children are Britney, 11, Jason, 9; Haylee, 5; and Joshua, 3. Jason wants to be a pro football player.

Buck's message to children with such dreams is to keep the faith in yourself and know you are special.

"There's nothing you can't achieve," he said, "but there is a certain price to success, many failures along the road and a lot of hard work and determination."

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Church revokes gay pastor's ministry

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — A disciplinary committee voted Tuesday to revoke the ministry of an Iowa pastor who is openly gay.

The decision by a nine-member panel of ministers and members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America means that the Rev. Steve Sabin will be removed from the list of the church's ordained ministers effective April 15.

The panel said that it addresses the job Sabin has done as pastor but could not allow his "gifts of ministry" either to outweigh or excuse his violation of a church policy that bars "practicing homosexuals" from the ordained ministry.

Bishop Philip Hogen, who announced the decision, said he has "pastoral concern" for Sabin, his partner Karl von Uhl and his congregation at Ames' Lord of Life Lutheran Church.

"It's not a happy day whenever we find it necessary to remove a pastor from the roster, especially a pastor as talented as Pastor Sabin and particularly a pastor who's been doing a good job," said Hogen, bishop of the American Lutheran Church in America's Southeastern Iowa Synod.

Sabin said Tuesday night that



he and von Uhl are "saddened both by the decision of the hearing panel and by the fact that Bishop Hogen has released it to the press prior to my being able to talk with my parishioners."

The 5.2 million-member

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, which was formed in 1987 by the merger of three Lutheran churches, allows ordination of gay ministers if they take a vow to abstain from having relations with members of the same sex.

The Rev. Steven Sabin, right, stands with his partner Karl von Uhl after his ecclesiastical trial ended Monday in Des Moines, Iowa, Tuesday, Sabin, who is the pastor of the Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Ames, Iowa, was found guilty by a disciplinary committee of breaking a church rule that bans "practicing homosexuals" from the ministry.

Sabin, 38, had argued during his two-day, closed-door, "ecclesiastical trial" that the church's policy did not clearly define what it means to be practicing homosexual, and that it violates the church's own scriptural teachings of God's love for all.

If churches want to continue to thrive, they must adjust to change

People are searching for direction in a world that has too many confusing interferences and off-ramps to nowhere.

In the past, they turned to organized religion, finding meaning and comfort in congregations of like-minded seekers. Together they built edifices to the praise of God and to the well-being of themselves and their families. With church members, others then were attracted to promises of a heavenly destination that preachers mapped out in resplendent detail.

Today, the search for meaning and the answers proffered — has a spectrum of colors to choose from far more complicated than was true for our ancestors.

For churches to compete, they must listen to the questions people are asking and find ways to serve those who otherwise might never find their way to these open doors. And they must do this even as they find themselves less and less supportive of their own congregations.

According to a recent study by Empty Tomb, a research group in Chicago, Ill., "church membership is declining in a number of ways, giving to benevolence declined as a portion of income for an unprecedented 10th year in a row." And, for the first time since

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1992, giving as a percentage of income decreased not only to congregations but to everything, including keeping the heat and lights on in churches.

Three years ago, Sylvia Ronsaville, co-founder of Empty Tomb, made the following observation about giving patterns: "First, congregations pull away from the national headquarters, then individuals pull away from their congregations."

The formula for rekindling the fervor and benevolence of any church is unique to each congregation. But there are some universal themes to note.

In her book "Congregations and Community," sociologist Nancy Ammerman contends that churches endure and grow when they adapt to change. "Congregations that do not try new programs and new forms of outreach when they are faced with environmental change," she writes, "are not likely to survive past their life spans of new members."

An energetic laity, partnerships with other congregations, new programs and strong leadership

are the ingredients that create a lively and healthy church, she notes.

In Wichita, Kan., several churches, it seems to me, have seen the adapting-to-change light. • St. Mark United Methodist Church has expanded its facilities to serve the people in north Wichita. A free health clinic along with space for community groups keeps the church connected to its neighbors.

Immanuel Baptist Church decided to remain in south Wichita and reach out to area residents. It also has set up a partnership with nearby Hamilton Middle School that allows students to use the church's 4-year-old Christian Life Center.

Hilltop Evangelical Free Church is planning to build a multipurpose center for youth activities, meetings and a thrift shop for economically depressed residents of southeast Wichita.

These churches have learned a valuable lesson: For a church to survive and thrive, it cannot run away from problems or insulate itself from them. Rather, it must listen to the needs of those around it and creatively show that it cares.

Tom Schaefer writes about religion for the Wichita Eagle.

Parochial school faces suit for firing teacher

NEW YORK (AP) — There is no denying that Michelle Gandy, a math teacher dismissed from a religious school, had premarital sex. Her 19-month-old daughter Nyla is proof. But was she fired for fornication, or because she became pregnant?

Gandy, 28, is suing Allen Christian School, claiming dismissal for pregnancy, in violation of the 1964 federal civil rights act that bars discrimination for such reasons as gender. Last month, a federal court judge refused a defense request to dismiss the case. A jury trial is now possible, though no date has been set.

A lawyer representing the Rev. Elaine Flaker, who heads the school, said recently that having unmarried mothers as teachers does not reflect the school's Christian values, and that Gandy knew that.

"We're dealing with a very strong constitutional issue of protection of freedom of religion," said attorney Michael E. Pressman.

Flake is the wife of the Rev. Elaine Flaker, former congressman and head of the Allen African Methodist Episcopal Church in Queens. The nearby school is affiliated with his church.

By telephone, Gandy said her school contract did not explicitly ban premarital sex. She signed

only a general statement of belief, she said, pledging that her "temperament and lifestyle are in accordance with the will of God and the Holy Scripture."

Gandy offered a chronology of her employment that also is outlined in her suit. In September 1995, she was hired to teach math for Grades 3 through 8. In October, she became pregnant by her boyfriend, Anthony Cromer.

Pressman said the school offered to move Gandy to a less visible job during her pregnancy and place her back in the classroom after the birth. But, the lawyer said, she turned that down.

In the past, federal courts have generally refused to interfere with religious school hirings and firings. In 1996, appellate judges in Cincinnati upheld the 1993 decision of Harding Academy of Memphis, Tenn., to fire Andrea Boyd. The unmarried teacher was fired after she became pregnant. Although Gandy's lawsuit asks for \$1 million in damages, her lawyers say they will not be able to determine an exact amount until they begin discovery.

Gandy and Cromer had planned to marry in 1996, she said, but her lost income delayed the wedding. Both now teach in the New York City school system and plan to marry this spring.

Man sees environment as God's gift

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Tom McCarthy's religious perspective on God's good Earth has propelled him to tackle all sorts of environmental projects at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Columbia, Md. His parish now uses recycled photocopy paper, bans Styrofoam cups and plates at receptions and holds a special Mass each spring in observance of Earth Day.

"Many years ago, I saw the environment as a gift from God that we should take care of," said the Catonsville, Md., financial adviser, whose church also keeps used bicycles out of landfills by refurbishing them for needy children. "However, I see more to it now. I see God as being in the life and all of nature and all of creation. And because of that, I now see nature and the environment as something sacred."

Like McCarthy, Americans of all faiths increasingly are looking at the environment through a spiritual lens. For them, "care for creation" is much more than preserving wildlife and pristine scenery. It is a religious mandate.

That faith-based commitment to the environment is evident in the pastoral messages of religious leaders such as Pope John Paul II, who has said "the ecological crisis is a moral issue," and Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, spiritual leader of the world's 250 million Orthodox Christians, who has bluntly called destroying and polluting the environment "a sin." The message is that litter, oil spills, drinking water tainted with lead, deforestation and the sea are not simply legal infractions but also are morally wrong.

"We evangelicals are recognizing more and more that environmental issues are not Republican or Democratic, that they really come from the most wonderful teachings that we have in our scriptures," said Rev. Stan L. LeQuire, director of the Evangelical Environmental Network.

The Wynnewood, Pa., group, which was founded in 1993, urges evangelical Christians communities to become "Noah Congregations" by pledging to care for the environment. In 1996, the Network, among other groups, waged a successful \$1 million battle against congressional efforts to weaken the Endangered Species Act.

There are numerous examples of the growing interest by religious groups in the Earth's environment. Seminars are adding courses on the environment and ecology and installing energy-saving devices in buildings. When they met last month at the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism in Washington, D.C., Jewish rabbis put the environment on their agenda for the future. The National Council of Churches recently mailed its congregations 72,000 information packets on environmental health. And the American Catholic bishops in Oregon, Idaho, Washington state, Montana and Canada have teamed up for a three-year "theological reflection" on the Columbia River watershed.

Employees want to bring faith to workplace

Knight-Ridder News Service

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Members of First Union's bond team sit at elbow, staring at computer screens, dialing numbers into phone headsets, hurling questions, grinning, grinning, entreating customers to buy.

In this unrelenting frenzy, millions of dollars change hands on a nod.

This is an extremely aggressive, tough, dog-eat-dog business, said Jeff Stewart, 30 and part of the bond group on One First Union's eighth floor in uptown Charlotte. "It needs foul language at times and not being so nice. It's difficult for me to enter this environment and keep my faith."

For help, Stewart turns to a small, lavender-jacketed prayer book tucked between technical notes. He listens to Christian radio driving to and from work. He prays frequently, and he tries to schedule business travel around his Wednesday fasting and evening worship. On Wednesdays, he fasts.

"Holiness is the goal, but I fall well short," he said. "It's a battle."

Such battles take faith of many kinds beyond weekend worship and into Charlotte's work world. During lunch, hundreds of approved workers attend Jewish study groups, Catholic masses and Bible luncheons. Many people privately turn to faith during the workday.

Religion's prevalence in Charlotte's business-driven world — even with increased legal challenges to religion in the workplace — reflects a strong Bible Belt heritage. This is a city where church and synagogue attendance surpasses the national average. Nationwide, there also is

growing interest in spirituality, especially among aging Baby Boomers confronting their own mortality and rethinking priorities.

Davis Kaykendall, director of Charlotte's Search Ministries, does public sessions, private counseling and even teaches at local churches. At the Uptown local YMCA, he leads a monthly lunch group that explores the Bible's relevance and application in the business world.

Then there is the National Center for the Laity in Chicago, a sort of national clearinghouse and advocate for talking faith beyond Sunday worship.

"We're talking about creating a more just, a more compassionate, a more caring society by the exercise of our ordinary responsibilities, to see ourselves as Christians every day rather than just on Sundays," said John Hazard, the group's conference administrator. "Doing right by your faith and doing well on the job can sometimes be very difficult."

For some of Charlotte's faithful, being a good steward means encouraging customers and colleagues to put their faith to work all week.

David Allen, owner of American Dry Cleaners and Laundry, felt the calling to be a "silent evangelist" soon after a 1951 conversion through Billy Graham's ministry. Allen, 67, says scriptural messages on the return address on his business envelopes and on envelopes to charge customers. On his business flyers, he urges people to pray daily and read the Bible. Occasionally, he is contacted by the messengers, but more often he gets a positive response — even some extra business.

During the day, he retreats to a small office with no phone for Bible study and prayer.

Growth, fewer priests force Catholic churches to begin construction program

BOISE (AP) — More parishioners and fewer priests are forcing local Catholic churches to change. In Idaho, new construction and move the largest congregation in Idaho.

"We have to do this to continue to serve the needs of the people," said Jim Bowen, chancellor at the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise. The number of Catholics in Idaho is now estimated at 18,000, an increase of 16 percent since 1990.

Catholics are the second-largest denomination in the state after the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. They are 7 percent of Idaho's population, but are finding fewer priests to

serve them. Idaho will lose four this year, bringing the statewide total to 56.

"We're trying to free the priests up"

— Bishop Tod Brown

A new priest is not expected in Idaho until 2000. In response, the diocese is moving to churches that seat 1,200 people, but with only one priest. Churches will rely on more help from lay members so priests can perform Mass and other religious functions.

"We're trying to free the priests up," Bishop Tod Brown said. "We're asking them to assume those responsibilities."

Projects in Ada County include building a new St. Mark's Catholic Church that is double the size of the present building, for \$4 million. St. Mark's is the largest congregation in the state.

Churches in Eagle and Meridian will be combined into Holy Apostles Catholic Church midway between the cities, for \$2 million. And a new 15,000-square-foot sanctuary at Our Lady of the Rosary in Boise will be completed for \$2 million.

Churches in Idaho are men and women. White includes information on conversion, a suggested reading list and material on birth, weddings and funerals, which she calls "milestones."

The publishing industry is one telling indicator of the growing diversity of American religious life. White's book is the third such comprehensive guide released in just two years.

In 1996, the first of these handbooks appeared, "How to Be a Perfect Stranger: A Guide to Etiquette in Other People's Religious Ceremonies" (Jewish Lights, Woodstock, Vermont). "Multicultural Manners: New Rules of Etiquette for a Changing Society" (Wiley), written by Los Angeles Times columnist Norine Dressler, was also published in 1996.

Books offer advice on religious etiquette

The Orlando Sentinel

A religious spiritual complex is changing so quickly — the combined result of immigration, intermarriage, transience and seekers' choosing religions that only they need a religious scorecard to tell the players at home or at work.

Gayle Colquhoun-White offers guidance to serve the needs of the people, said Jim Bowen, chancellor at the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise. The number of Catholics in Idaho is now estimated at 18,000, an increase of 16 percent since 1990.

Journal-Constitution. White covers 27 different faiths in this 242-page paperback, which is divided into two sections: Christians and other major world religions.

Confucianism is not included in her book, according to White, "because it is often regarded as more of a philosophy than a religion." Unitarianism, she excludes because it has "few requirements and little dogma."

Each chapter of "Believers and Beliefs: A Practical Guide to Religious Etiquette for Business and Social Occasions" (Berkeley, New York), "In an increasingly multicultural world, our co-workers and neighbors — even members of our own families — may be part of faith systems that are new to us," explains White, longtime religion writer at the Atlanta

CROWLEY'S

the Quad

Plain & Precious: An LDS Daybook by Boppe Harrison

In the tradition of the national Bestseller Simple Abundance, Boppe Harrison presents this daybook especially for Latter-Day Saints.

EATING CHOCOLATES & DANCING IN THE KITCHEN: Sketches of Marriage & Family by Tom Plummer

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Apr	Crude oil	70.15	69.40	69.75	-.10
Apr	Gasoline	80.15	79.40	79.75	-.10
Apr	Heating oil	70.15	69.40	69.75	-.10
Apr	Winter wheat	60.15	59.40	59.75	-.10
Apr	Summer wheat	60.15	59.40	59.75	-.10
Apr	Feedstuffs	60.15	59.40	59.75	-.10
Apr	Grain	60.15	59.40	59.75	-.10
Apr	Live hogs	55.15	54.40	54.75	-.10
Apr	Live cattle	50.15	49.40	49.75	-.10
Apr	Pork	45.15	44.40	44.75	-.10
Apr	Pork belly	40.15	39.40	39.75	-.10
Apr	Wheat	34.00	33.50	33.60	-.05
Apr	Barley	34.00	33.50	33.60	-.05
Apr	Soybeans	28.00	27.50	27.60	-.05
Apr	Beans	28.00	27.50	27.60	-.05
Apr	Corn	27.25	26.75	26.80	-.05
Apr	Grain	27.25	26.75	26.80	-.05
Apr	Feedstuffs	12.25	12.00	12.10	-.05
Apr	Sugar	10.80	10.61	10.71	-.11
Apr	Cocoa	10.80	10.61	10.71	-.11
Apr	Orange juice	18.00	17.75	17.75	-.25
Apr	Apples	15.50	15.25	15.25	-.25
Apr	Peaches	15.50	15.25	15.25	-.25
Apr	Potatoes	9.00	8.75	8.75	-.25
Apr	Onions	11.25	11.00	11.00	-.25
Apr	Garlic	10.80	10.61	10.71	-.11
Apr	Potatoes	10.80	10.61	10.71	-.11
Apr	Onions	10.80	10.61	10.71	-.11
Apr	Garlic	10.80	10.61	10.71	-.11
Apr	Wheat	16.25	16.00	16.00	-.25
Apr	Barley	16.25	16.00	16.00	-.25
Apr	Soybeans	16.25	16.00	16.00	-.25
Apr	Beans	16.25	16.00	16.00	-.25
Apr	Corn	16.25	16.00	16.00	-.25
Apr	Grain	16.25	16.00	16.00	-.25
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8,000 bu minimum; cents per bushel				
Mar	334 1/2	338	333	334

May	3411	548	3413	344
Jun	3411	548	3413	344
Jul	3600	362	368	323
Aug	3600	362	368	323
Sep	377	378	377	377
Oct	377	378	377	377
Nov	377	378	377	377
Dec	377	378	377	377
This month	18,722			
This year open to 19/1/49	91,214			
5,000 lbs minimum: cents per bushel				
Mar	2768	2778		
Apr	2768	2833	278	2784
May	2768	2833	278	2784
Jun	2768	2833	278	2784
Jul	2768	2833	278	2784
Aug	2768	2833	278	2784
Sep	2768	2833	278	2784
Oct	2768	2833	278	2784
Nov	2768	2833	278	2784
Dec	2768	2833	278	2784
This month	342,452	419		
5,000 lbs minimum: cents per bushel				
Mar	147	1478	164	1628
Apr	147	1478	164	1628
May	147	1478	164	1628
Jun	147	1478	164	1628
Jul	147	1478	164	1628
Aug	147	1478	164	1628
Sep	147	1478	164	1628
Oct	147	1478	164	1628
Nov	147	1478	164	1628
Dec	147	1478	164	1628
This month	1,826			
This year open to 15/1/49	134			
5,000 lbs minimum: cents per bushel				
Mar	6061	609	603	600
Apr	6061	609	603	600
May	6061	609	603	600
Jun	6061	609	603	600
Jul	6061	609	603	600
Aug	6061	609	603	600
Sep	6061	609	603	600
Oct	6061	609	603	600
Nov	6061	609	603	600
Dec	6061	609	603	600
This month	6,061	609	603	600
This year open to 14/1/49	4,051			

Jul	22.20	22.40	22.20	22.40	-
Est. sales 600. - Thr.'s sales 1,054					

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Copper - 76.15 cents per lb., N.Y. Merc spot Fri.
Lead - 48 cents per lb.

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Strong job growth has
unemployment down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Strong job growth in January, particularly in construction and the service sector, helped the unemployment rate at 4.7 percent — near a 24-year low. Wall Street applauded with stock prices surging near their summer peak.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate, the same as December, was just a notch above November's 4.6 percent rate, lowest since 1973, the Labor Depart-

The nation's employers added a greater-than-expected 358,000 jobs to their payrolls last month. Construction accounted for 92,000 new jobs, the largest monthly gain in

That partly reflects the strong housing market, said Bureau of Labor Statistics Commissioner Katharine G. Abraham. It's been stimulated by a drop in interest rates caused by Asian financial tur-

Friday's report shows that Asia's financial problems haven't yet dampened the strongest American labor market in a generation, even though factories report weaker orders in December and January.

"With the Olympics set to begin, our economy is growing at a gold medal pace," said Labor Secretary Alexis Herman. "This growth is solid, it's strong and it's steady."

Good

BEANS

Valley Beans
Prices are net to growers, 100 pounds, U.S. No. 1 beans, test 14.0 bean test and storage charges.
Prices subject to change without notice. Producers desiring more recent price information should contact dealers.
Great northern: \$19.00; pink: \$20.00; small red: \$21.00; Idaho pink: \$21.00; small white: no quote. Prices are given daily by Rangiers in Butte.
Other Idaho bean prices are collected weekly by Bear Market News, U.S. Department of Agriculture - Bear Market News: \$19-19.10; pink: \$20-20.25; small red: \$21-21.25; Idaho pink: \$22; small white: \$20-21. Quotes current on Jan. 27.

	Mar	Apr	May	June	July
60,000 lbs; cents per lb.	26.04	26.20	25.92	26.03	+0.08
May	26.50	26.59	26.31	26.48	+0.18

Jul	26.90	26.95	26.68	26.89	+21
Aug	26.90	26.96	26.70	26.90	+20
Sep	28.61	26.70	26.50	26.60	+20
Oct	26.58	26.58	26.58	26.58	+20
Nov	26.39	26.40	26.30	26.35	+25
Mar	26.00	26.20	26.00	26.20	+40
This is sales 30,144					
This is open in 115,455, up 3,785					
BOYS' MEAL					
100 tons; dollars per ton					
Mar	102.20	107.20	106.40	106.10	+40
May	194.30	195.40	193.80	194.20	-80
Jul	196.00	196.00	195.00	195.80	-20
Aug	196.70	197.40	196.50	196.00	-40
Sep	196.00	196.50	197.50	196.00	+20
Dec	200.00	200.50	199.00	200.00	+20

	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.	54.25	54.95	54.10	54.65	•
Apr	55.30	55.90	55.10	55.62	•

Jun	62.50	63.30	62.37	62.65	—
Jul	62.40	62.65	62.18	62.43	—
Aug	62.40	60.85	62.00	60.72	—
Oct	67.20	57.85	67.18	57.52	—
Dec	—	58.90	58.00	58.75	55.00
Est. sales 12,232. Thru's sales 10,540					
Thru's open bid 45,529					
PORK DELIVERIES					
40,000 lbs., cents per lb.					
Jun	40.60	50.15	47.30	47.35	-2
Jul	48.80	48.80	46.00	46.05	-2
May	40.20	40.20	46.20	45.45	-2
Jul	48.05	48.25	43.40	43.55	-2
Aug	48.00	48.25	43.85	43.85	-2
Sep	—	—	—	53.55	—
Nov	—	—	51.00	51.00	54.00

Mar					18.07
Apr					18.12
May					18.14
Jun	18.21	18.20	18.12		18.18

Good

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Ron Homan, Lance Hicks took me under his wing. He counseled me daily and gave me innovative ideas."

Carolyn Plunkett, Hicks's operations manager, added, "His patience and commitment to my knowledge of the industry have had a tremendous effect on my ability to do my job intelligently. He never seems to stop teaching

9. Set objectives:
3M Dental doesn't run on gut feelings, Myer said.
"We love people's ideas, but then we go out and collect information," he said.

10. Challenge old rules: When Loefer arrived 18 months

"We needed to challenge old edicts," he said. "People would say 'We've always done it that way.' I

11. Remove obstacles: Leser considers his most important managerial role to be eliminating barriers.

"My style is to ask each person 'What is keeping you from being successful in your job,' then to tackle those obstacles," he explained. "I think that's why our district was able to go from last

	Population Class I:		CapA p		Incom n		Templeton Class II:		Muller	
+33	20.85	...	21.99	+08	13.56	+51	Forp2 p	0.13	+03	Muller
+30	20.85	...	21.78	+08	14.58	+51	Gwnt2 p	19.86	+07	Muller
+18	20.31	+20	12.68	...	26.64	+14	Templeton Inact:	Muller
	19.72	+08	15.83	+11	27.53	+22				

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-0.09	MACS	17.32	07	HP-A	11.78	-11	Comund	22.35	08	QAS/Van	17.42	-09
-0.09	MACS	19.02	16	HP-A	9.35	-11	Fronte1	15.15	02	UAB Funds		-09
-0.10	Phonix	23.85	19	HP-A	50.41	-31	GB-Ten	8.38	05	ICMA CGD	26.55	-04
+0.22	Stl Inc	3.78	-09	HP-A	16.19	-13	Greenwa	8.40	05	USAA Group		-09
-0.14	AT&T	1.14	-01	OTC-A	18.90	-12	HYD-B	7.70	01	CA-BN	11.24	-01
+0.01	BATF	15.03	05	TEI-A	9.26	-11	HYSD-B	7.70	-01	CBSB	26.54	-08
-0.01	EMC-A	13.58	07	THFA	16.73	-01	BankofG			Grw'n	16.74	-21
-0.01	EMC-B	13.58	07	THFA	16.73	-01	ComS	41.35	-35	Grw'n	16.74	-21
-0.01	EMC-C	13.58	07	THFA	16.73	-01	Grw'n	16.74	-21	Grw'n	16.74	-21
-0.01	EMC-D	13.58	07	THFA	16.73	-01	Grw'n	16.74	-21	Grw'n	16.74	-21
-0.01	EMC-E	13.58	07	THFA	16.73	-01	Grw'n	16.74	-21	Grw'n	16.74	-21
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-0.01	EMC-H	13.58	07	THFA	16.73	-01	Grw'n	16.74	-21	Grw'n	16.74	-21
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-0.01	EMC-J	13.58	07	THFA	16.73	-01	Grw'n	16.74	-21	Grw'n	16.74	-21
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GRAINS

Valley Grains
Prices for wheat per bushel, mixed grain, oats, corn and soybeans, hundred weight. Prices subject to change without notice.
Soft white hard, February delivery, \$2.80; barley, \$4.90 (48-pound bush); mixed grain, \$4.90 (100-pound weight); oats, \$6.50; corn, \$3.30 (15 percent moisture). Prices are given daily by Ralston in Duluth.
Corn white, white, February delivery in Minnesota \$3.30; yellow, \$3.20; red, \$3.10. Prices given daily in Burlington, \$2.70 and barley, delivery in Burlington, \$3 (hundred weight). Prices quoted daily by Simpact Agriculture in Burlington.
Red Grain and Bean in Duluth and Hansen reports the following grain prices: spot delivery, soft white wheat,

Thurs. sales \$1,101
Thurs. open int 115,263, up 1,453

Est. sales 5,557. Thrift's sales 3,529.
Thrift's open int 9,820, up 60

42,000 gal, cents per gal				
Mar	46.25	47.20	46.15	45.33
Apr	46.82	47.60	46.60	46.79

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Ron Hanna, Lance Hicks took me under his wing. He counseled me daily and gave me innovative ideas."

Norm Plunkett, Hicks's operations manager, added, "His patience and commitment to my knowledge of the industry have had a tremendous effect on my ability to do my job intelligently. He never seems to stop teaching others."

9. Set objectives.

Sam Denton, doesn't run on gut feelings, he over-said.

"We love people's ideas, but then we go out and collect information," he said. "We try to find out the activities that are most important to our goals. If we don't get the results, we did the wrong activities."

10. Challenge old rules.

When Lezer arrived 18 months ago, the Novell district was last in sales among the company's 30 districts. Now it's first.

"We needed to challenge old ideas," Lezer said. "People would say, 'We've always done it that way.' I said, 'That's ended. How should we do it?'"

11. Remove obstacles.

Lezer considers his most important managerial role to be eliminating barriers.

"My style is to ask each person 'What is stopping you from being successful in your job,' then to tackle those obstacles," he explained. "I think that's why our district was able to go from last

12. Make a decision.

"I've always tried to give people an answer, so they can get out of a room and know what to do," Gates said.

13. Have a sense of humor.

Young academic administrators tend to take themselves too seriously, says Gates. He is a member of a Harvard University summer program for new college graduates.

"There are pressures everywhere. After every decision you make, someone is going to criticize it," said "I told those new people, 'If you don't see the fun in what you take, the silly things and how they break up.'"

14. Reward a good job.

"People need to be told they did a good job," Gates said.

Every few months the district management gives out Awards to employees who say they have done distinctive work.

"It might be one outstanding task or a good job every day," he said.

15. Celebrate.

The bottom line, Myer says, have fun. We celebrate every success. At the halfway point in goal we have pizza. At six months we bring in bagels. At year-tenth, the whole team goes out to eat. At year-end, everyone gets a \$25 gift certificate.

"We're not breaking the rule," he said. "We're recognizing success."

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Federal funds, Potlatch largesse could mean new reservoir

BOISE (AP) — Creating a new family fishing hole at a time when the Idaho Department of Fish and Game is beset by serious financial problems may seem ill-advised at best.

But the stars are aligned for the proposed Deer Creek Reservoir in north-central Idaho, as well as some smaller children's ponds statewide, and Fisheries Bureau Chief Virgil Moore doesn't want to miss the opportunity.

"People go, 'How can the department possibly afford to pursue this activity in a period of time when it's short on license funds?'" Moore said. "The answer to that is a fluke. We've been trying to build this reservoir for over 15 years."

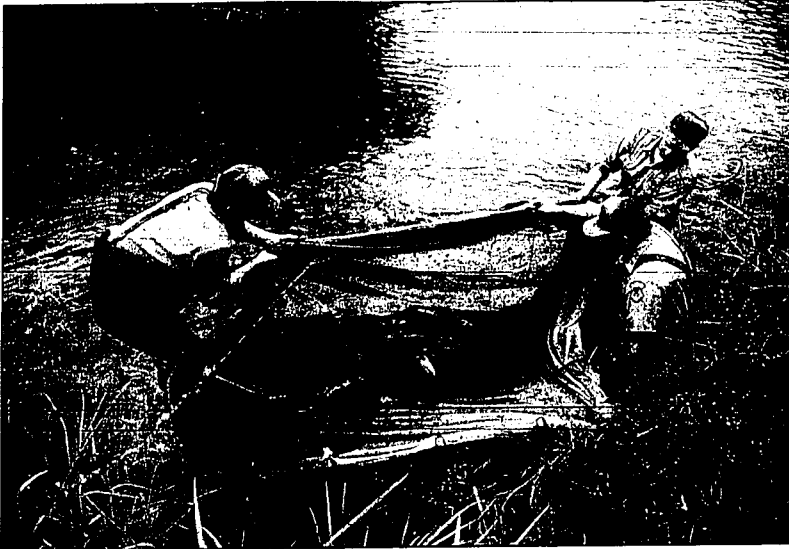
The prospect of a long-term lease on the property involved from Potlatch Corp. and a lucky break in federal funding convinced the Fish and Game Commission in January to endorse negotiations with the wood-products company. The waterway would cover about 42 acres and be located near the community of Headquarters, 30 miles northeast of Orofino.

Establishing a reservoir for anglers rather than primarily for irrigators, flood control or hydropower production, still involves more than merely damming a stream. It takes years of research, negotiations and gauging public opinion. After construction, biologists must determine which types of fish to regularly stock.

Fish and Game's coffers for such recreational projects are bare.

Faced with dwindling revenues from its big game program, the agency slashed spending by over \$3 million in 15 months. Now the commission has asked the Legislature to approve an increase in elk and deer hunting tag fees to generate \$1.4 million in revenue. Moore said he will request more funding in 1999 to bring the total annual increase to \$7.6 million.

Meanwhile, some of the excise



Idaho Department Fish and Game biologists release trout into an Idaho Panhandle reservoir in this file photo.

taxes collected by the federal government must be matched by the state with additional money and in-kind contributions to bring the total to \$1.1 million. Volunteer labor — estimated at \$9-\$10 per person per hour — plus Potlatch's stake at the proposed Deer Creek Reservoir site will cover the required state match. The funding also will help build fishing ponds for the communities of Salmon and Lowman and other smaller projects.

"It won't entail license money. There's no check to be written," Moore said.

And the benefits figure to be great. The Clearwater region is blessed with superb fishing in its mountain creeks, but many of them are managed for trophy, barbs-and-hook angling. It lacks an accessible, stocked area for children and older sportsmen.

Potlatch resource manager David Pritchard said.

"We're a major neighbor with everybody up here and it's something we need to do," Potlatch spokesman Frank Carroll said.

"There's a lot of opportunity for fishing for Lewis and Clark. But if you're not an explorer, you need something like this."

The company is determining how much the land is worth. The draw that would be founded to create the reservoir is primarily open forest land with some scattered timber. Moore said there are no immediate plans to build a

road around the edge of the water, but such amenities could be added in the future. And eventually Fish and Game hopes to put in a boat ramp.

"It's our water and its primary purpose is fishing."

—Virgil Moore, fisheries bureau chief

Fish and Game also will be able to manage Deer Creek without concerns about water levels like those in Lucky Peak Reservoir on the Boise River, which vary dramatically as it is drained for irrigation and bunched up to catch snowmelt.

"It's our water and its primary purpose is fishing," Moore said. Deer Creek will be designed along the lines of Horsethief Reservoir, a popular Fish and Game-owned waterway east of Cascade that has been a model of recreational fishing success for other states.

The department hopes to build the Deer Creek dam this year. It likely would stock the water with rainbow trout. Biologists also will take the reservoir's temperature to determine whether it could support such warm-water species as bass.

It would take some years to stabilize, Moore said. "The initial few years on any new body of water are exceptionally good because you have a lot of productivity from all of the vegetation and other things breaking down and providing nutrients; then it stabilizes at a lower level."

Deer Creek has been on Fish and Game's wish list for a long time. "I wish we had the disposable resources provide those types of fisheries more often," Moore said. "It's kind of like we received an inheritance. We want to invest it wisely and have something left for the family when we get through."

High school faculty races through halls on skates

MOSCOW (AP) — After-school visitors to Moscow High School beware — the teachers are on a roll.

It started with physical education teacher Karla Harman. When the day is done she straps on a pair of Roller Blade inline skates and races the halls to keep fit.

She has started a fitness fad among her colleagues. Now each day after school a small band of teachers roll through the hard tiled halls of Moscow High.

"Like a cancer it's spreading throughout the staff," Harman said.

She originally put a notice in the faculty bulletin inviting others to join her. Now Mrs. Harman, 40, has a regular group of six or seven teachers meets after school to race the halls.

They've taken up indoor skating to stay active during the inclement winter months. The school's tile floors are ideal winter skating ground when Palouse western stars streets and sidewalks walk with melting snow, slush and loose pea gravel.

Harman learned the Roller Blade corporation was offering inline skate packages to schools at a great price. For \$100 they get a pair of skates, a helmet and knee, elbow and wrist pads.

The deal, no doubt, is to get kids hooked on the sport so they will purchase their own skates, she said. But her job is to get kids interested in sports and fitness. So she ordered 12 pair and got Principal K.C. Albright to match her money, yielding a dozen more sets.

Ranging from size 5 to 13, Harman has enough skates to outfit an entire class.

The modern skates are for student fitness classes but they looked so fun teachers could not resist the temptation to give them a whirl.

"I always wanted to try it but wasn't brave enough to try on my own," said business teacher Linda Acosta. "I love it."

Harman instructs new recruits how to skate, turn, stop and how to fall. The trick is to fall forward instead of backward.

"It was surprised how easy it was," said social studies teacher Sally Greene. Blading after school lets her relax and work off some of the day's stress. Teaching is physically and mentally demanding and if she doesn't work out right after school she is inclined to head home and surf the couch.

They have a ball. They joke and laugh throughout their hour-long skate sessions. All of the teachers are new to inline skating and some were a bit frightened at the prospect of taking a spill on the hard floor. But humor quickly conquered fear.

"I'm trying this affirmation thing. I can do this," Acosta said, zipping through the hallway.

Custodians, stray students and visitors looking for the gym chuckle as the teachers, not always appearing to be in control, weave through the pedestrians.

The teachers sometimes stop for a rest and short gossip session before churning off for more laps. Harman enjoys the blades for her own recreation but especially as an education tool. They add options to the physical education curriculum.

Moscow High does not have an outdoor track or field adjacent to the building. Physical education classes must bus to Mountain View park to find a sizable patch of grass for sports such as soccer and softball. The skates give them a more sporting options.

The wheels and brakes are especially made to not leave marks in hallways or on gym floors.

In the spring Harman will take students and her fellow teachers on outdoor excursions. They are eager to try out the new Bill Chipman Memorial Trail leading Moscow and Pullman, Wash.

The blades also allow Harman to introduce alternative fitness activities to her students. That is important as school districts all over the state begin writing their own graduation requirements to augment new state minimums.

Idaho dropped physical education from its graduation requirements, but districts such as Moscow and Lewiston are inclined to keep it as part of their mandatory curriculum.

Both Moscow and Lewiston have met some opposition in their proposals to keep a four-credit physical education requirement. Some parents think their kids should spend more time taking math, science and foreign language classes.

But teachers such as Harman argue the need for a healthy body as well as mind. Parents often say "my kid is fit," but don't realize the importance of establishing fun fitness and health activities that kids will carry with them their entire lives, she said.

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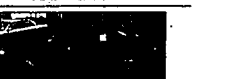


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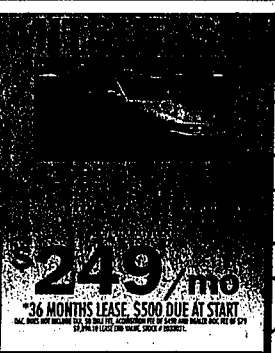
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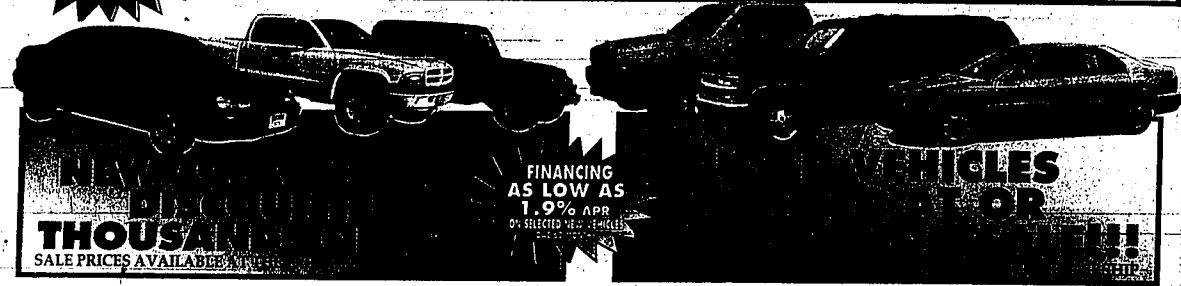
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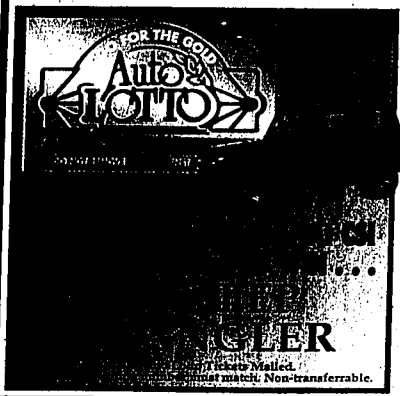
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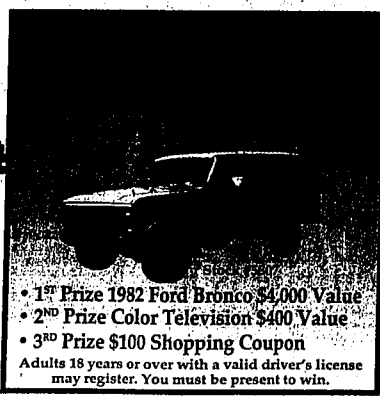
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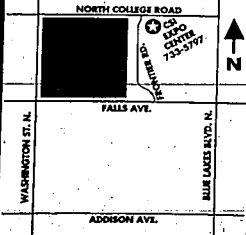
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